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Dekadrachms Of Syracuse And Their Historical And Mythological Background

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The history of Sicily in the fifth century B. C. was dominated by two important events. The first was the victory of the Sicilian Greeks under the leadership of Gelon of Syracuse and Theron of Akragas over the Carthaginians, who were allied with the Persians. This took place in Himera in 480 B. C. Another victory was effected only six years later at Kumae by Gelon's brother and successor Hieron over the Etruscans. With these victories Syracuse obtained the predominance over the eastern part of Sicily for several decades. Under the leadership of Hieron, Sicily flourished, and in 466 B. C. he introduced democratic rule.

The second event started in 427 B. C. In that year the Athenians were called upon for assistance by the Leontinians and tried in vain to get a foothold on Sicily; but in 424 the Syracusan Hermokrates succeeded in establishing peace among the Sicilian cities. Eight years later the quarrel broke out anew, and again Segesta and Leontini applied for help in Athens. The Athenians could not make up their minds whether to reply "yes" or "no." In prolonged debates Alkibiades strongly recommended the action, while Nikias advised to refrain from it. In spite of an unfavorable omen—one morning many Hermae were found smashed in the streets of Athens—the Athenians accepted the advice of Alkibiades, and under the common leadership of Alkibiades, Nikias and Lamachos a fleet was sent to Sicily, which occupied Naxos and Katana. The aggressors managed to battle the Syracusans outside the city, they occupied its surroundings and started a siege. During this period Alkibiades was indicted for alleged participation in smashing the Hermae, which was considered blasphemy, and for deriding the Eleusinian mysteries. He was called back, but fled to Sparta and was condemned to death in absentia.

In Sparta he influenced the government to send a fleet to assist the Syracusans. In spite of another fleet sent out by the Athenians under the command of Demosthenes, the siege of Syracuse could not be prolonged any further. Another battle was waged among the fleets and on land around the city. The Athenians lost both battles decisively. At the river Assinarus many of them were killed or taken prisoner. Lamachos died, and Nikias

and Demosthenes, who were among the prisoners, were executed in Syracuse. Most of the prisoners were forced to labor in the quarries, where they soon perished; the remainder were sold as slaves.

Gelon's victory over the Carthaginians was not only a significant political success, but at the same time the source of an enormous booty. Diodor gives the figure as 2000 talents. According to his report, Demarete, Gelon's wife, received a gold crown from the Carthaginians as an expression of gratitude for having influenced her husband to impose moderate peace terms upon the losers. The crown allegedly weighed 100 gold talents (about 28 ounces), and Diodor reports that Demarete ordered coins to be struck from it, which were called demareteions. Nobody can really say how much of this story is true. But it is certain that Diodor never saw this coin, for we know from specimens of it that these are not of gold but of silver. The large booty and the contribution which the Carthaginians had to pay to Gelon provided him with a great quantity of silver which he ordered to be coined. The newly acquired riches soon circulated in Syracuse and in other parts of the island. It was quite natural to create an especially large coin which by its design had the character of a victory medal, but which in fact was a normal 10 drachms piece (dekadrachm = 50 litrae). This is the following specimen:

Obverse: Slow quadriga r. (Jameson speaks of a triga). Above, Nike crowning the horses. Exergue: A lion running. Reverse: Head of a goddess (Artemis-Arethusa) wearing laurel wreath, necklace and ear-rings, surrounded by four dolphins.

(In addition to the dekadrachms there were also struck at the same time tetradrachms and obols.)

After this big success the Syracusans were in high spirits, especially since they felt the beginning of their wealth. Demarete, the wife of the tyrant Gelon, was very popular with the Syracusans, and it might be that they saw a certain resemblance between her and the pictured head of Artemis-Arethusa on the coin. For this reason and because of the various stories circulating in Syracuse and related to us by Diodor it is understandable that these coins were popularly called demareteion.



Demareteion.

A similar situation occurred again two generations later. After the above-mentioned important victory over the Athenians the Syracusans conquered the war chest of Nikias and Demosthenes. According to custom, this victory was celebrated with famous games, which were called Assiniarian Games, named after the river Assinarus, where the victory was won. These games were repeated every year during the subsequent decades. The famous die-cutter Euainetos was appointed to create a new dekadrachm, and for this purpose he chose designs similar to those already used on tetradrachms in previous years. The following specimen exemplifies this:

Obverse: Female head (Persephone ?), hair turned up behind and bound with wreath of corn leaves; around, four dolphins. Reverse: quadriga galloping, the driver is crowned by a Nike (this is in contrast to an earlier type where the horses were crowned). The large exergue that is filled out by an Athenian panoply described as "prize" is remarkable.

A few years later Kimon, the most famous pupil of Euainetos, created a similar piece, namely:

Obverse: Female head (Arethusa ?), hair bound with sphendone tied above, neck part in net; around, four dolphins. Reverse: Similar to above.



By Euainetos.

Because of the realization of the economic importance of the new coinage, and especially of its artistic value, the artists in the second half of the fifth century were allowed to sign their names on the coins. The first artist we know of was Sosion. Besides him and, of course, Euainetos and Kimon, several others of this period are known.

Comparing these three coins, the change in style is striking. On the demareteion the head of Artemis-Arethusa is pictured as it may have been in the imagination of the artist, but not perspectively. The eye is given completely "en face," which gives the whole picture a somewhat serious and strange expression in contrast to the lovely features surrounding the mouth. The horses, slowly walking, are relatively long-legged. Their bodies are rather delicate with a high-curved neck, in contrast to the horses of the later period which appear more massive and sturdier.



By Kimon.

The diversity of the hair-dress is remarkable on the two later coins. Euainetos adorned the hair with corn ears. The hair itself falls in relatively long locks, while Kimon keeps the hair in a ribbon—a so-called sphendone—which is visible at the forehead and the neck, which gives the curls a somewhat shorter appearance. Both artists stress the soft chin, but while the features of the goddess represented by Kimon are decidedly youthful, those given by Euainetos make for a more mature expression.

The artists intended to communicate the impression of a deity, and they succeeded in an inimitable and classical manner. The mildness and dignity of the features really has something superhuman. The manner in which the artists filled the small space is remarkable. In spite of the complexity of the picture with the quadriga, the reverse is not overlaid. The four curved dolphins fit perfectly with the softness of the goddess.

With Euainetos and Kimon the climax was reached, and decadence began. The successors created nothing new, and even centuries later the quadriga of Euainetos was copied not only in Sicily but also in Greece, etc.

There remains something to be mentioned regarding the mythological connections of the pictured deities.

The myth of Arethusa tells us that this nymph often was among the retinue of the goddess Artemis, and she served her by carrying her quiver and arrows. Once Arethusa was hunting, and in the excitement of the sport she separated from her companions. Tired and warm she arrived at a small river; the crystal clearness of the water induced her to take a bath. She took off her garment and her belt and dived into the stream. Suddenly she heard a rustling noise, and, frightened, she discovered that the river god Alpheus pursued her. She managed to reach the shore and tried to escape. She fled through a great part of Arcadia, over mountains, through woods and meadows, but the pursuer came nearer and nearer. In the greatest distress she invoked her mistress Artemis, who was known as the guardian of the virgins, and Artemis protected her by a cloud which she laid around the fleeing Arethusa. Alpheus watchfully encircled this cloud, but could not detect any foot-prints leading from it.

Suddenly Arethusa felt herself transformed into water, but the river-god Alpheus also adopted his original form and, now also being water, tried to unite himself with the nymph. At this moment the goddess Artemis split the ground and Arethusa was swallowed by the earth. Beneath land and sea she then flowed away, not seeing daylight again until she reached the island Ortygia in form of a sweet-water spring. The small rocky island Ortygia is part of Syracuse and is connected with it by a dam. One of the surnames of Artemis was Ortygia; she had a sanctuary in the island, and that might be the reason why she had Arethusa appear here again. The name Ortygia is derived from *ortyx*, quail. This bird is only connected with the sun god because it wakes up early in the morning. The sun god Apollo and Artemis were brother and sister, and various myths connected them often or identified their emblems. Both were born in Delos, and this island was first and preferably called Ortygia. The nymph Arethusa considered Artemis her motherly guardian, and thus it was natural to associate both deities. The myth may have chosen the river Alpheus as the pursuer just because this river disappears twice below the earth before it flows into the sea. It is perhaps worth mentioning that even today Sicilian peasants believe that the Alpheus reappears in the spring Arethusa. During the last century a subterranean aqueduct was discovered which lies 25 feet below sea-level, is several miles long and has a connection with an aqueduct that comes from the opposite heights.

The pursuit of Arethusa by Alpheus was a favorite artists' subject during many centuries.

According to Head, the deity pictured by Euainetos is Persephone, daughter of Demeter, the goddess of the fertile soil. The emblem of Demeter was corn ears, which were attributed to her youthful daughter, too. In ancient times Sicily was considered the granary of the old world, and it is understandable that its population worshipped this goddess especially. The myth of Persephone is very interesting and, as it is connected with one of these coins, it may be related here.

The volcano Aetna erupted frequently, and this terrible phenomenon intensely occupied the minds of the population. The earliest myths of the flight of the gods with the titans had it that the titan Typhon, after being vanquished by Zeus, was forced to the earth and the mount Aetna placed on top of him.

Once, disturbed by a heavy eruption of Aetna, Pluto, the god of the Hades, rose from the underworld and rode through Sicily, in order to look for the cause of the trembling of the Hades. Venus, who had a very famous sanctuary in Eryx, situated on the western part of the island, watched him. She had felt herself neglected for a long time because her sisters Pallas Athene and Artemis, who guarded the virgins, often interfered with her schemes. Now she saw that the day of revenge had come, and she induced her son, Cupid, to direct his sharpest arrow against Pluto. Pluto's heart was hit, and when he met Persephone playing with her companions on the shore of a small lake he instantly fell in love with her. At once he was determined to abduct her, and the action followed immediately. Incidentally, we see on an ancient picture that this abduction took place in a quadriga similar to that pictured on the dekadrachms. When he approached Syracuse, the river nymph Cyane, who lived in the neighborhood of the

Arethusa spring, tried to hold him up, but Pluto, angered by this interruption, split the ground with his scepter and drove with Persephone into the Hades.

Her mother, Demeter, distraught over her loss, rushed through the whole world in search of her. She did not even rest at night, and for this reason the goddess is often depicted carrying two torches. Because of her far-flung drives she neglected her duty to care for the fertility of the soil, and this caused famines in many places. After her fruitless attempts to regain her daughter she eventually returned to Sicily, and here she discovered the belt of her lost daughter floating on the river Cyane. Torn by bitterest grief she asked mountains, woods and brooks for her daughter, but in vain. The nymph Arethusa, who took pity with her sorrow, finally told her that while flowing through the underworld she had seen Persephone at Pluto's side.

Irate over this ruthless abduction she turned to Zeus in her distress. Zeus tried to explain to Demeter that, after all, her daughter had made a good marriage, being not only the wife of Pluto, and accordingly the mistress of the underworld, but also the sister-in-law of the supreme god. But, nevertheless, he promised to free her if she had eaten nothing so far. But one of the servants of Pluto disclosed that Persephone had plucked a pomegranate in the garden and eaten just seven kernels. With ancient peoples the pomegranate was the symbol of love's union, and the eating of the kernels signifies the consummation of the act. So Demeter was obliged to accept the facts as they were, but Zeus managed to bring the matter to a happy end. He arranged that Persephone would stay at her husband's side half of the year, while she would spend the remaining part of the year at the Olympus together with her mother and the other gods.

The mythological connection between Artemis-Arethusa-Persephone is explained through these myths, and symbolically the connection of these goddesses with the predominant qualities of the island of Sicily, and especially the city of Syracuse, appears understandable.

Starting The Boy To Collect Coins

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In teaching a boy to swim you start him to paddle dog-fashion, not with fancy strokes; you teach him first to keep his bicycle upright, not to ride without holding the handle-bars; in skating, instead of the figure 8, you teach him to keep his skates on the ice. In introducing him to the collecting of coins, keep the horse before the cart; start him at the bottom and second, not at the top and descend. The main thing with a novice is THAT he collects, not WHAT he collects; discrimination in dates and conditions and the selection of phases will follow in natural sequence. Don't force the hobby on him; make him like it, and the best way to make a boy fall for a hobby is by tickling his curiosity bone. Don't "kill-joy" it by reading him academic stuff about old Greeks; don't discourage him with laudations of high-priced rarities or scarcities in the upper brackets. It is not what a thing costs but the amount of himself that he can put into it that appeals to a boy. Make a game of it, for Young America likes his games. Get him a penny-board and join with him in the game of filling the vacancies. A boy looks at things quantitatively rather than qualitatively; start him with the plentiful and inexpensive pennies, a quantity of them.

What appeals to one boy will most likely appeal to all. Sixty years ago my dad showed me a Trade dollar and a Standard dollar, pointing out to me the difference in the design of the two coins, although each of the same denomination. His answers to my many "Whys?" started me on my lifetime numismatic career. So interested was I that he gave me the Trade dollar instead of trying to pass it on another easy mark. In a small town, with no numismatic background, I learned my numismatics the hard way, by experience instead of studied instructions, but I remembered what I

learned, for the bumps of experience leave scars more remembered than those from prescribed rules.

Try the system on your boy. Show him the difference between the Indian and Lincoln pennies. Give him two penny boards, one for each type, and then join in the fun of filling them. Teach him selection by having him fill the boards with the brightest coins. The dates and mint marks on boards teach their own lessons. The difficulty in filling the scarce spaces will teach him the why and the value of scarcities. As he ascends the gamut, numismatics will unfold itself, and, learning the science from the ground up by actual experience, by ascending step by step, he will have indelibly fixed in his mind the rungs on which he slipped, and when he reaches the top his numismatics will be of him a part instead of a thing apart.

Coins Of More Than Usual Interest

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A SERIES: V—Adolphe, Grand Duke

Numismatics offers very few instances of a deposed prince's portrait re-appearing upon a later coinage. One of the few instances where such an event did occur is upon the coinage of the Duchy of Nassau, which was absorbed by Prussia following the War of 1866. The Duke of Nassau was Adolphe, who had ascended the throne in 1839. A special commemorative thaler was issued in 1864 to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of his reign. Two years later he had lost the throne.

The House of Nassau was also represented on the Dutch throne. King William III was a distant relative of Duke Adolphe. This King William was the father of Queen Wilhelmina, who has ruled the Netherlands almost fifty years.



When William III died, in 1890, the Dutch throne passed to his daughter Wilhelmina, but under Salic law, which provides for male succession exclusively, Luxemburg passed to the nearest relative, who was the former Duke of Nassau. It is interesting to observe that Salic law is subordinate to the Nassau family law, which provides for the succession of women to the throne in the case of the complete extinction of the male line. For that reason, following the death of Adolphe, his son William succeeded to the throne in 1905, but he, in turn, was succeeded by two women, Adelaide and Charlotte.

The coinage struck for the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg in the reign of Grand Duke Adolphe includes a number of interesting patterns struck on the franc standard. The illustrated specimen was issued under the regency of the Grand Duke Adolphe in 1889. Adolphe did not become Grand Duke in his own right until the following year upon the death of the King of Holland.

In the wreath is the value, 5 FRANCS, and below in small letters ESSAI, showing that the issue was an experimental one. The reverse shows the Luxemburg lion, with the ducal crown above, with the inscription reading: GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBURG. The edge is reeded.

In 1901 portrait coins of the 5 and 10 centime values were struck in nickel with a portrait of Adolphe. The portrait is quite different from that of the young man who issued the Nassau coins in the second quarter of the nineteenth century. Few princes have had their portraits appear upon the coinages of different political subdivisions after having been deposed from their rightful throne. For this reason the coinages with the name of Adolphe of Nassau, and later of Adolphe of Luxemburg, are of unusual numismatic interest.

Necessity Paper Money Issued In The U. S.

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There were four periods in the history of the United States when merchants, corporations, cities, towns, counties and individuals issued paper promises to pay certain sums in various denominations from 1 cent to \$500.

The first issue was caused by the Second War with England, 1814-15.

The second issue was brought about by the destruction of the Bank of the United States in 1836 and the suspension of specie payments of the State chartered banks on May 10, 1837, which continued until 1840.

The third issue was caused by the Civil War from 1861 to 1865. The principal reason for these issues in the three periods mentioned was on account of the hoarding of gold, silver and copper coins, so that the storekeepers and others were without money for change purposes, as bank notes were issued under the acts of incorporation in sums of not less than \$1, and in a number of States in amounts not less than \$5, because most of the people were opposed to the bank currency, and particularly in denominations of less than \$5.

The last and fourth issue was caused by the bank holiday of 1933, when merchants and corporations found all their current money locked up in the banks. This period was of short duration, but the issues were numerous.

Also, there were many early scrip issues by corporations, cities, towns and others, particularly railroad corporations during their construction period, when they issued scrip because they needed money, and just having it printed was an easy way of obtaining it. During those "easy-going times" it was generally accepted from parties who had good credit. Therefore, there were at all times prior to 1860 considerable quantities of scrip issues in circulation that were needed by those who issued it and considered necessary by them.

In the period of 1814-15 the banks issued much of the fractional paper currency needed at that time, so there seemed not much objection to scrip issues by private individuals. However, there were very few banks which attempted to put out fractional issues during the period of 1837-40, as the States had made strict laws against the chartered banks issuing any notes for lesser amounts than their charters or their State laws permitted.

The Constitution of the United States provided that only coins should be a legal tender in payment of debts. It also provided that no State should issue paper money as currency or pass laws making anything but gold and silver coins a tender in payment of debts. These provisions of the Constitution gave no right or warrant for the issue of paper money by corporations, merchants, cities, towns and counties. Later the States passed laws prohibiting banks, corporations and others from issuing notes as money.

During the Civil War all gold, silver and copper coins disappeared from the Confederate States, so that only paper money was issued in the Southern States, and an enormous variety of fractional notes were issued by the banks, States, cities, towns, counties, corporations, merchants and others. The

State Legislature of Virginia required all the counties of Virginia to issue notes in fractional parts of a dollar, receivable in payment of taxes. Where there were no county commissioners, the notes were to be issued by the local judge of the county or the sheriff.

I have noticed no denomination of less than 5 cents of the scrip issues in the Southern States during the existence of the Confederacy, but in the same period there were numerous issues of 1c., 2c., 3c. and 4c. denominations in the Northern States, some of them being only cardboard tickets with the denomination printed thereon; and when they were issued by the merchant he signed them and later redeemed them in merchandise or paid them when suitable amounts were presented. Some had printed on them that they would be redeemed if presented in amounts of even dollars, because there was no current money excepting dollar bills of bank money or the United States legal tenders.

Prior to 1840, notes issued by local merchants often circulated locally for years, when they were reliable individuals. A noted case was that of Calvin Cheeseman, who had a tavern and store, located sixteen miles from Albany, which was printed on his notes. Most of his notes were dated in 1816.

The scrip issues were printed in many forms some of which were as follows:

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (NEW YORK). I promise to pay the Bearer TWENTY FIVE CENTS, ON DEMAND AT MY OFFICE, in current Bank Bills for accommodation of Change. Northampton, Dec. 26, 1814 (date written). (Signature faded.)

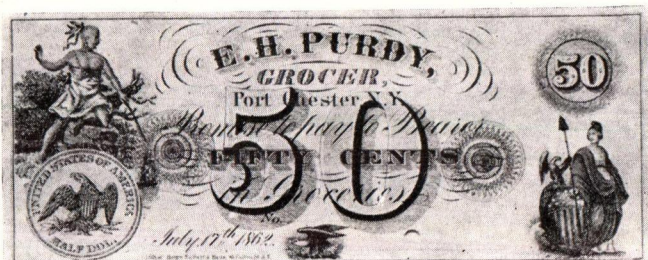
C. V. B. BARSE, November 1st, 1862. STOWELL, CHAMBERLAIN & CO., BANKERS, OLEAN, N. Y., PAY THE BEARER TEN CENTS IN CURRENT BANK BILLS When Checks to the amount of One Dollar are presented.

ORISKANY, N. Y. Oct. 20, 1862. BANK OF WHITESTOWN Pay the Bearer of this Check TWENTY-FIVE CENTS in Currency when presented in sums of one or more Dollars. (Issued by Williams and Brother.)

Oswego, Dec. 1, 1862. CITY BANK, OSWEGO. Pay to Bearer TWENTY-FIVE CENTS When presented in sums of one or more dollars. (Issued by Stone & Co.)

Will Pay TEN CENTS IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY BANK NOTES Peekskill 1862. (Issued by Horton Depew & Sons.)

On demand I will pay the bearer SIX & ONE QUARTER CENTS in current Bank Bills when the amount of Five Dollars shall be presented at my Office. Penn-Yan, July 12, 1837. (Issuer unknown. Not signed.)

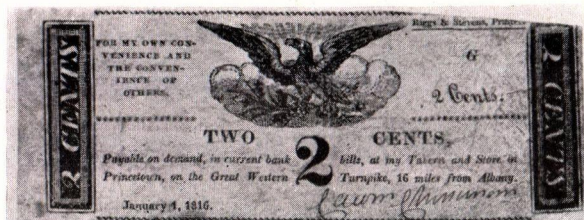


E. H. PURDY, Grocer, PORT CHESTER, N. Y., Promise to pay to Bearer FIFTY CENTS in Groceries. July 17th, 1862.

On demand I promise to pay the bearer SIX 6 CENTS in current Bank bills at the Office of Discount and Deposit of the the Manhattan Company. Poughkeepsie, May 1, 1816. (Issued by Wm. Nexsen, Jr.)



For my Own Convenience and the Convenience of Others. TWO 2 CENTS Payable on demand, in current Bank bills, at my Tavern and Store, in Princetown, on the Great Western Turnpike, 16 miles from Albany. January 1, 1816. (Issued and signed by Calvin Cheeseman.)



LOSEE & HINDS, Richfield Springs, Will pay the Bearer, On Demand at their Store, TEN CENTS In State Currency when presented in sums of One Dollar and upwards. Richfield Springs, Oct. 22, 1862. (Issued and signed by Losee and Hinds.)



FAIRBANKS & CO. Will Pay the Bearer in GOODS, on Demand, TWENTY FIVE CENTS, at their Store, No. 42 State Street, at Retail Cash Prices. Rochester, 1845.

We promise to pay the Bearer TWENTY-FIVE 25 CENTS in current Bank Paper. Saw-Pitt, January, 1815. (Unsigned.) (Saw-Pitt was a post town in Westchester County in 1823.)

The 3-cent nickel coin is legal tender up to 60 cents.

Sales Tax Tokens And Ohio Coupons

By EMIL DI BELLA
The Bronx, N. Y.

(Presented to the New York Convention of the A. N. A.)

The collecting of sales tax items as a hobby is rather a young one, as tokens were first issued provisionally in 1933 by the local chambers of commerce and merchants associations in the State of Illinois.

These tokens have been replaced by official State issues and at present are being issued in several forms in about fifteen different States, where a tax on sales is required.

The sales tax token can be classed as "emergency money," as it is used to make change when the tax on a retail sale is a fraction of a cent, and where the amount runs into dollars the use of a coupon (such as Ohio State) takes the place of actual currency.

The face value of tokens ranges from one mill (Alabama, Arizona, etc.) to fifteen dollars (Ohio), and there are about three hundred known varieties of both State and local issues in paper, wood, metal and cardboard.

Even though the "sales tax" pestilence is very much abused, it is gaining much headway as a hobby by collectors of emergency money and numismatists, for the cost of varieties is nominal, the "finds" in errors are many and the subject in itself is interesting, for it affects the majority of our population in all walks of life. Among the many "freaks" and errors in my collection are the following:

Illinois—1935 State issue, 1½ mills, "retailer's" instead of "retailers." Jacksonville, ¼ c. with the cent sign in three different positions. Moline and Rock Island, ¼ c. in three thicknesses.

Oklahoma—1937 State issue, one mill, "for old age pensions" instead of "for old age assistance."

Washington—Tenino wood issue in strip of five, with imprints of Thurston, Paramount and McLain.

Ohio—Sales tax coupons: I have found about twenty varieties of errors in these coupons and among them are: Imprints on top of coupons. Imprints on top and bottom. No imprint on coupons. No perforations between coupons. No control numbers. No watermarks. Inverted watermarks. Reversed watermarks. Vertical watermarks. Top of designs missing. Bottom of designs missing, and several other minor varieties.

With the present issue of these coupons, which were put into circulation on May 1, 1939, it is provided under a legislative act by the State of Ohio that the used coupons shall be redeemed by the State at three per cent. of their face value, in blocks of \$100 or more.

The members of the International Emergency Money Club not only collect sales tax items but also the following types of emergency money: Paper, metal, glass, porcelain, clay, linoleum, coal, leather, silk, linen, wood, velvet and aluminum. As a side line, others collect Schlesien paper and metal, Colonial paper money, U. S. coins, bank holiday scrip, wooden money and Continental currency.

THE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF CHINA.

The following is reprinted from the Shanghai Times of June 21, 1940:

At the annual meeting of the Numismatic Society of China held on June 17 at 20 Museum Road in Shanghai, Mr. Arthur de Carle Sowerby and Mr. G. Duncan Raeburn, who had filled the positions of president and honorary secretary, respectively, since the founding of the Society in 1934, retired from these offices, their places being taken by Edward Kann and Dr. H. Hoene. K. F. Mulder, one of the three founders of the society, was elected vice-president, his former position as honorary treasurer being filled by C. J. Allanson, while Mr. Sowerby was elected to the committee.

At the meeting the retiring President expressed his great satisfaction at

the way the Numismatic Society of China had developed during the years of its existence. During this period the Society's membership had steadily grown, and it now included a number of individual numismatists as well as numismatic societies and other institutions in foreign countries. Today the society not only boasted a bigger membership than ever before, but could be considered of international importance.

In proposing Mr. Kann as the new President Mr. Sowerby said he was sure he would fill the position with success. Not only is Mr. Kann a keen collector of coins, especially Chinese minted coins of all kinds, but he is the outstanding authority on Chinese currencies, past and present, being the author of important works on this subject, including minting as well as paper currency or banknotes.

Mr. Sowerby also paid tribute to the splendid services in his capacity of honorary secretary during the past six years of Mr. Raeburn, himself a keen collector of and authority on Chinese minted coins. More than one of the society's six bulletins consisted of able papers on this subject by Mr. Raeburn, who is now engaged upon an extensive work on Chinese silver coins. One of his past publications was an extremely valuable paper on Chinese Soviet or Communist coins and notes issued during the period when this group held a large area in Kiangsi and Hunan Provinces, and later in Szechwan after being driven out by the Nationalist forces under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. These coins and notes are now very rare and of considerable value, being eagerly sought by collectors.

Mr. Kann, in accepting the position of President, expressed in graceful terms the Society's thanks and appreciation to Mr. Sowerby for the services he had rendered, as well as its regrets that he felt it necessary to retire.

Before the meeting was brought to a close a decision was reached to hold periodically auctions of coins during the forthcoming season, to which collectors other than members would be admitted by invitation. Anybody interested in numismatics and wishing to become a member of the Numismatic Society of China should communicate with the honorary secretary, Dr. H. Hoene, or the President, E. Kann, at the Society's headquarters, No. 20 Museum Road. There is an entrance fee of C.\$10 while the annual subscription is C.\$5.

THE ENGLISH FARTHING.

The English farthing is now coming into its own. These farthings are now in the news. This tiny coin has been more or less a curiosity rather than something of service and value to the trade, but this was before the advent of rationing. Before rationing and fixed prices the farthing was essential to the buying power of the housewife when making her purchases from the baker, grocer and the butcher. It comes into calculations when she makes purchases with such prices ending in one farthing or three farthings. At first, owing to the shortage of farthings, or I should say the trouble of reckoning them, some merchants tried to dispense with them, charging a farthing over. It has been pointed out that by so doing they infringed the maximum price regulations.

The food officers recommend that merchants should provide themselves with a supply of farthings and so avoid any infringement of a fixed price. Two English farthings equal one American cent. The English do not price their merchandise which does not conform to their coinage. We in the United States price some articles at two for a quarter, with the result that 13 cents must be paid for one. The return of the American half cent would eliminate this annoyance.

Elkhart, Ind.

WILLIAM BRIMELOW.

CURACAO STIVER OF 1821.

An inquiry recently appeared in The Numismatist regarding the place of mintage of the Curacao stiver and real of 1821. We find, according to G. D. Bom: "Coins of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and Colonies issued since 1813," published at Amsterdam in 1909, that both types were struck at Willemstad, the capital of the colony. The coins are illustrated under Nos. 507 and 508 respectively.

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Editorial Comment—Numismatic News

THE FIFTY-YEAR INDEX.

The Fifty-Year Index of The Numismatist is now in the hands of its subscribers. Originally planned by a few collectors as a private enterprise, the efforts were collated and the material prepared for publication by a group of seven persons, the majority of whom were also connected with the Association's work in some other capacity.

The Index has taken far longer to prepare than was originally expected. The reasons for this are many, and it is only due to the whole-hearted interest and devotion of those preparing it that it finally saw the light of day as a completed project.

It was unfortunate that the members of the Association and the subscribers to The Numismatist were asked to pay for the Index so far in advance. It was once assumed that the Index could be completed within a few months' time. Such was not the case for the type of book which has been brought forth.

For the patience exhibited by all over a period of almost two years the Association wishes to express its thanks. Many have inquired along the road about the progress of the Index, and the answer was always "in a

little while." To those who have waited quietly, without questioning, the Association wishes at this time to express its sincere appreciation. The Index is now yours, and it is hoped that you will find it of permanent numismatic value and that you will believe the time you have waited for it is brief in comparison with the time which its use will save for you.

FACING A NEW SEASON.

Numismatics now faces a new season. What the Convention has accomplished may be read in the proceedings printed in this magazine next month.

It is up to each of us in 1940-41 to spread the numismatic gospel. Tell our friends about our coin-collecting hobby. Show our coins and medals at local organizations, at banks, libraries and schools. Exhibit some old paper money where it will attract attention.

Let it be this year that you will organize a group of your local collectors into a small club. Let the others who have only recently commenced share the benefits of your experience. Tell them what you have collected, and why. Show them specimens. Let them judge whether it is a worth-while pastime or not. Interest them with the items that have fascinated you; bring out the coins or tokens which you prize the most and explain the history of the piece, as well as the reason why you wanted it for your collection.

With reasonable and intelligent effort on the part of the members of our great organization a desirable expansion in the numismatic field can and should occur. It is up to you as an individual in your community to put numismatics on the front page. There is surely some specimen of local interest in your collection which the local paper has not written up.

Why not make the effort to do constructive numismatic work? The effort you will find is not great in comparison with the rewards. The recipe is simple. A few talks, a few articles and a few exhibits. You will find that your audience will do the rest. Your District Secretary and the General Secretary will be glad to cooperate with you in the organization of a local club in your community. Ask them!

TAKE A FLING AT SOMETHING NOT JUST IN YOUR LINE.

Have you ever thought over just why some coins appeal to you? Is it the rarity, the artistic merit, or the historical approach which intrigues you most? Possibly it is a combination of the three.

In the event that you find yourself in one of these categories, why not make the effort to collect a few specimens for your cabinet with a different approach? If you have been collecting foreign series of rulers, give yourself the chance to collect a set of Lincoln head dates and mint marks. See if you cannot find out what it is that "gets" the other chap who loves this group intensely, and sees nothing in your specialty.

By the same token, if you have always felt that your coin money should be devoted to coins, try spending some of it on numismatic books, and you may find an entirely new vista of numismatics at your feet. If you have collected only medals for many years, try a few specimens of paper money, transportation tokens, or anything else. You will always find that there are some items which are on the border between your series and the next. Take the bridge; step across, and enjoy a new numismatic life!

ITALIAN ENCASED POSTAGE STAMPS.

Word has been received that the Italians are short of small change and that the 5-centesimi stamps have been impressed in monetary usage by inserting them in small holders. The 5-centesimi coins have all been withdrawn and the issue of bank notes for other denominations of coins in circulation is in sight, in view of the requirements of the military for all non-ferrous metals. The blockade of Italy has accentuated this metallic shortage in the past few weeks.

NEW ISSUES.

India—A new silver half rupee of George VI has recently been received and is illustrated here through the courtesy of Mr. Friedberg of New York. The obverse shows the crowned head of George VI to left within an ornamental border. The inscription reads: GEORGE VI KING EMPEROR.



The reverse shows the usual floral design with the inscription in English reading in three lines: HALF RUPEE 1939. Below is the native equivalent of the value. This is one of the first colonial issues of George VI not to bear the die cutters' initials.

Tunis—A new type of 5-franc silver coin has recently been received. The 20 francs is also reported, but whether there is also a 10-franc value of the same design has not yet been established. The reverse design is simi-



lar to previous issues, but the obverse carries the additional name, PROTECTORAT FRANCAISE. The previous issues merely stated "Tunisie" and the value in francs, and the Mohamedan date. The current new issue also bears the Arabic date on the obverse.

Rumania—A new aluminum bronze 1-leu piece dated 1938 has been received. The coin bears a crown in the center of the obverse, with the date below, with a wreath around the border. The reverse shows an ear



of corn, with the value at the sides, 1 LEU. Below the corn ear is the artist's name, I. Jalea. Whether there are also other values of the set is not yet known.

TAX ON STATE BANK NOTES DROVE THEM FROM CIRCULATION.

In the last paragraph of the article by Prof. R. Edward Davis, of Chicago, Ill., the statement is made that the Act passed in 1863 prohibited the issue of bank bills, meaning the then current bank notes. The act did not mention the notes issued by the State chartered banks, and they continued to circulate in large quantities until July 2, 1866, when the Act passed by Congress, on March 3, 1865, went into effect, placing a tax of 10 per cent. on notes issued by State chartered banks. In his "History of Banking in

the United States," John Jay Knox states on page 99: "The amount of State bank notes in circulation in 1864 was about \$170,000,000, and there seems to have been no tendency of their diminution." There was no diminution of the efforts of the State chartered banks to keep their notes in circulation. It was too profitable to discontinue their issue until July 2, 1866, when the tax of 10 per cent. went into effect. As a matter of course, that tax meant a loss instead of a profit, therefore their circulation stopped at once. No Act was ever passed to prohibit their issue; the tax did the job.

D. C. WISMER.

Hatfield, Pa., July 31, 1940.

NEW ISSUES BY COMMISSIONERS OF CURRENCY, MALAYA.

The coins illustrated here form a new series issued by the Commissioners of Currency, Malaya. The half cent and cent are of copper and are square. The 5 cents, 10 cents and 20 cents are round and are struck in silver. All



were designed by Percy Metcalf, English artist, who has designed most of recent coins of the British Empire. These coins are intended to replace the currency of the Straits Settlements. (Specimens for illustrations from the New Netherlands Coin Company, New York City.)

MORE PORTUGUESE CURRENCY TO BE STRUCK.

There will be more coins in Portugal from now on, as a decree recently issued states that the silver coinage of 10, 5 and 2½ escudo values has been raised. Also the nickel 1 escudo and 50 centavos. The increase also included the copper 20, 10 and 5 centavo values. Whether this change in quantity will mean new designs for the issues was not disclosed.

Although the nickel 3-cent piece was coined for 24 years, the coinage of 2-cent pieces in a much smaller number of years produced almost the same face value of coinage.

JUNIOR COIN COLLECTORS OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Since May 25 the Junior Coin Collectors of San Francisco have had coins on display as part of the National Hobby Show in Vacationland Building at the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island. The exhibit is called "Coin City" and has attracted thousands of interested visitors.

The exhibit has been changed from time to time, so those who may have seen it in the first weeks will have a treat in store by a new visit in the last weeks, until its close September 29. Coins of the United States, Hawaii, Finland, France and Great Britain have been featured, as well as several miscellaneous groups, such as coins and stamps of the same design, stamps used as money, Colonial currency, Civil War tokens, Hard Times tokens, exposition medals and paper money. Transportation tokens have a special showing and are proving a big drawing card.

Some sort of a "scoop" was scored in Coin City by the showing of the new metal token now in use in Portland, Ore., some 13 days before it was placed in official use, replacing the tickets long used. Many tokens have been brought to our members in Coin City, as well as other interesting coins. Special days at the Fair have been marked by having coins on display pertaining to that event.

The wall display has been improved to include a flasher sign "Coin City," flags of all nations, checks, transfers and decorative items of many kinds.

The variety of material shown has revealed a wide interest in coins or subjects closely related. Many young collectors have attended, and it is surprising to find many coming from Oakland with a real interest in our hobby.

September 20th marks the first exhibit meeting for the 1940-1941 season and will feature San Francisco history of a numismatic interest. Then comes our sixth anniversary celebration on October 18.

All collectors, young and old, are invited to visit Coin City during the remaining days of the San Francisco Fair on Treasure Island.

ROY HILL.

COINAGE FOR JULY, 1940.

Following is the amount of coinage (in dollars and cents) executed at the mints of the United States during July, 1940, as reported by the Bureau of the Mint, Washington, D. C.:

	Philadelphia.	San Francisco.	Denver.
Half dollars		\$268,000.00	
Quarter dollars	\$273,000.00		
Dimes	306,000.00	471,000.00	\$400,000.00
Five cents	66,800.00	301,000.00	275,000.00
One cent	861,760.00		9,100.00

AND NOW WE ASK, "WHAT NEXT?"

An Associated Press dispatch from Hollywood contains the following bit of interesting information:

"Who knows but what those silver coins in your pocket or the lacquer finish on your car might possibly have one day been part of a torrid movie love scene or a slapstick comedy. Silver in chemical salts used in making movie film is extracted from discarded celluloid strips by smelting. Then it's sold to the Government for the minting of coins. The rest of the discarded film is bought by companies which convert it into lacquers and paints."

NO CANADIAN WAR COINS TO BE ISSUED.

A number of collectors have recently remarked about a proposed issue of war currency in Canada. Advice recently received from the Royal Canadian Mint indicates that no special coinage is contemplated.

NEWS NOTES.

China—A report from Shanghai, China, states that new notes of 25 sen will be injected into circulation by the Japanese military authorities. The shortage of fractional money in Central China has been previously noted in these pages, and the new military scrip of only one-quarter yen value, is intended to alleviate the condition.

Egypt—The war has again affected the Egyptian currency. New notes of 5 and 10 piaster values are to be issued in large quantities to replace silver coins now in circulation. Hoarding and melting of the currency is forbidden under strict penalty. During the last war, Egypt also resorted to the use of low-denomination notes. The new notes will be printed in Egypt.

Syria—Another indication of rising values in gold has again come from the Near East. It is stated there that the demand for gold for hoarding purposes is so great, and the supply so limited, that gold brings higher prices there than in New York. The Turkish gold pound is now valued at 40 Syrian pounds (or 800 French francs), with the normal equivalent in New York at about 20 Syrian pounds or 400 French francs.

DIE BREAKS IN NUMISMATICS.

One may ponder whether a coin is an overdate, whether the letters are large or small, whether the 15th leaf is really center or slightly past center, but when a die break goes streaking across the coin the die has signed its name. Like carbon paper reproduces the original, so do dies reproduce on coins the flaws they develop.

Newcomb used these extensively in his book on the cents of 1801, 1802 and 1803. It was by this method that he was able to positively identify the obverse used on the 1804 restrike as the 1803 die altered.

The star on your Grant half dollar could have been put on with a punch, but if you should happen to have one with the small die break under the chin you know it must be from the original die. Die breaks can not be faked. Details can disappear by the die becoming clogged, such as probably occurred on the 1922 cent without a "D," the buffalo nickel without the fourth leg, or the coins with a number missing in the date. When the obstruction is removed the "D" appears, the leg is back, and the date is whole again. Details might be removed with acid or an instrument, but a die break is usually an addition, a ridge.

Having accumulated between 500 and 600 die breaks in Lincolns, I have come to the conclusion that nearly all dies incur flaws on some sort before they are discontinued and a few specimens should turn up from each. The fact that one occurs on some Grants with the star, which is a comparatively small coinage, adds to this belief.

No one would agree that die breaks help the appearance of a coin, but to some numismatists they present many problems, and die breaks may be a help in solving some of them.

M. L. McINTOSH.

McKeesport, Pa., August 11.

ODD STRIKING OF NICKEL THREE-CENT PIECE.

At a recent meeting of the Baltimore Coin Club Philip G. Straus showed an odd three-cent nickel piece dated 1865. It was in uncirculated condition and on ordinary examination nothing unusual was seen about it, except possibly what appeared to be a die break on the reverse. Under a glass the apparent die break took the form of the well-defined head of Liberty of the obverse of the three-cent pieces, and on the obverse of the coin appeared traces of the reverse of these coins. Apparently, the planchet received a very weak impression of the dies, and later the planchet was turned over and received the usual stamping.

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MINNESOTA—DR. DWIGHT E. WARD, 356 Cedar St., St. Paul, Minn.
MISSOURI—HERBERT W. ROWOLD, 1307 Brush Creek Blvd., Kansas City, Mo.
MISSOURI (Eastern District)—ARTHUR B. KELLEY, 4854-A Penrose St., St. Louis, Mo.
MONTANA—L. S. HAZARD, First National Bank and Trust Company, Helena, Mont.
NEBRASKA—V. H. RATHSACK, 901 S. 55th St., Omaha, Neb.
NEW JERSEY—CHARLES F. NETTLESHIP, JR., 456 Elmwood Ave., Maplewood, N. J.
NEW YORK CITY—JOSEPH BARNET, 2025 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
NEW YORK (Eastern District)—ALEX. R. SEYMOUR, 70 Pt. Watson St., Cortland, N. Y.
NEW YORK (Western District)—ROBERT H. LLOYD, 217 Schenck St., North Tonawanda, N. Y.
NORTH DAKOTA—VINE D. LORD, Cando, N. D.
OHIO (Central District)—V. B. CHAMBERS, care City National Bank and Trust Company, Columbus, Ohio.
OHIO (Northern District)—JOHN W. GREGOR, 15221 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
OHIO (Southern District)—OTTO KERSTEINER, 122 Profress Ave., Hamilton, O.
OKLAHOMA—JAKE B. SURECK, 130 W. 19th St., Okhaloma City, Okla.
OREGON—JOSEPH V. LA MORE, Home, 5616 N. E. Mallory St., Portland, Ore.; Business, P. O. Box 5608, Kenton Station, Portland, Ore.
PENNSYLVANIA (Eastern)—GEORGE J. PATTERSON, P. O. Box 4856, Philadelphia, Pa.
PENNSYLVANIA (Western)—DR. PAUL MCBRIDE GILLIS, 243 Marguerite Ave., Wilmerding, Pa.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—GILBERT S. PEREZ, Care of Bureau of Education, Manila, P. I.
RHODE ISLAND—VICTOR H. FRASER, High Street Bank and Trust Company, Providence, R. I.
SOUTH CAROLINA—GAROLD W. TAPP, Greer, S. C.
SOUTH DAKOTA—ALBERT N. HANTEN, White Lake, S. Dak.
TENNESSEE—A. W. BRADLEY, P. O. Box 1484, Memphis, Tenn.
TEXAS—H. D. LAWRENCE, Dallas, Texas.
UTAH—NORMAN SHULTZ, Box 746, Salt Lake City, Utah.
VENEZUELA—P. K. ANDERSON, Apartado 35, Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela.
WASHINGTON (Eastern)—O. P. EKLUND, 711 Pittsburg St., Spokane, Wash.
WASHINGTON (Western)—PAUL M. FOUTS, 403 Crary Bldg., Seattle, Wash.
WISCONSIN—LILLARD W. CULVER, 2863 N. 40th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Report of The General Secretary

New Members to Be Admitted September 1st, 1940.

- 8203 Ralph R. Haile, P. O. Box 79, Soquel, Cal.
 8204 Martin R. Zavis, 1442 N. 49th St., Milwaukee, Wis.
 8205 Joseph Blazick, 4231 E. Thompson St., Bridesburg, Philadelphia, Pa.
 8206 Joseph Lunz, 45-31 166th St., Flushing, L. I., N. Y.
 8207 C. W. Soultz, 1233 Fourth St., Des Moines, Iowa.
 8208 J. Reed Capps, 5601 Kingman Blvd., Des Moines, Iowa.
 8209 Leon H. Smith, Y. M. C. A., Des Moines, Iowa.
 8210 Arthur Benfield, 2430 J St., San Diego, Cal.
 8211 Leonel C. Panosh, P. O. Box 1773, San Diego, Cal.
 8212 DeWitt Frankel, 1476 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.
 8213 H. C. Reinert, 1001 N. Main St., Rockford, Ill.
 8214 Carl Ruffeth, 142 Reservoir Ave., Meriden, Conn.
 8215 Edward A. Higney, Indian Neck, Branford, Conn.
 8216 Vernon D. Lesh, 3654 East Colorado, Pasadena, Cal.
 8217 Mrs. Frances W. Atkins, Box 203, Jasper, Ala.
 8218 Clarence Heppner, Route 3, Walla Walla, Wash.
 8219 Dr. John H. Miller, Laconia Clinic, Laconia, N. H.
 8220 Rudolph Leibowitz, 723 Commercial, Atchison, Kan.
 8221 Robert Friedberg, 296 Eckford St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 8222 J. S. Gensheimer, 33 Beechwood Place, Hillside, N. J.
 8223 G. A. Johnson, 4624-a Arsenal St., St. Louis, Mo.
 8224 John W. E. Chambers, Sr., 2118 Park Ave., Anderson, Ind.
 8225 J. J. O'Brien, Box 261, Lindsay, Cal.
 8226 L. W. Hassel, 10 South St., Ft. Atkinson, Wis.
 8227 Barney E. Mead, 390 Frankel Blvd., Merrick, L. I., N. Y.
 8228 Ventura Coin Club, L. A. Gerhard, Sec'y., Rm. 210, Bank of America Bldg., Ventura, Cal.
 8229 Fairfield Coin Club, Keith A. Prizer, Sec'y., 51 Forest Drive, Fairfield, Iowa.
 8230 Paul Greenblatt, 1120 E. Colfax Ave., Denver, Col.
 8231 R. O. Eckart, 464 Grolee St., Opelousas, La.

8232 Harry W. Bason, 252 East Ninth St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 8233 Royal E. La Grange, M. D., Fort Ann, N. Y.

Applications for Membership.

The following applications have been received during July, 1940. If no objections are filed prior to October 1, 1940, the applicants will become members on that date, and their names will appear published in the October issue of The Numismatist:

John M. Goldvarg, 8234, 2709 E. Lake St., Minneapolis, Minn. Mtg. Coin Holders.
 Paul E. Olson, Dr. Dwight E. Ward.
Claud H. Brown, 8235, Box 483, Opelika, Ala. General. J. H. Morris, Jr., M. Vernon Sheldon.
Helge A. Hansen, 8236, 1013 Fifth Ave. South, Virginia, Minn. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Samuel M. Adams, 8237, 2922 Ames St., Edgewater Branch, Denver, Col. General. Wm. A. Dickson, Philip W. Whiteley.
William Henry Brown, 8238, 8022 S. Sangamon St., Chicago, Ill. U. S. Half Dollars Commemorative Silver Coins. B. H. Terry, Otto Kersteiner.
Rollin D. Schreffler, 8239, 394 East 123rd St., Cleveland, Ohio. Commemorative and General. John W. Gregor, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Mrs. Frank Chambers, 8240, 4320 Overlook Road, Birmingham, Ala. General. J. H. Morris, Jr., Mrs. J. Morris, Jr., M. Vernon Sheldon.
Mrs. Edna Hodgson, 8241, 315 Shepard Ave., N. Charleroi, Pa. U. S. Commemorative. W. E. Hodgson, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Fred McAtee, 8242, Fairbault, Minn. U. S. Silver, Rare Gold Coins. Wm. Mertes, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Arthur Boertmann, 8243, 35 Mansion Terrace, Cranford, N. J. General. Charles F. Nettleship, M. Vernon Sheldon, G. A. Riker.
Paul S. Mory, 8244, 1217 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa. Buffalo Nickels and Commemorative Half Dollars. Lewis M. Reagan, Wm. Mead.
Ira Q. Rhoten, 8245, Mowrytown, Ohio. General. Otto Kersteiner, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Houston I. Shirley, 8246, P. O. Box 893, Tulsa, Okla. Lincoln Cents. Lewis M. Reagan, F. L. Bowles, L. Frost.
Charles J. Groffman, 8247, River St., Fort Plain, N. Y. Miscellaneous Coins. Lewis M. Reagan, Emiel R. Leneker, Howard B. Gray.
W. G. Hankins, 8248, Box 242, Kissimmee, Fla. Cents and Fractional Currency Confederate Bills, Southern States Currency. Lewis M. Reagan, Tatham Stamp and Coin Co.
A. Willhagen, 8249, 489 Prentiss St., Detroit, Mich. U. S. and Canada. Lewis M. Reagan, W. F. Fratcher.
Albert E. Nottage, 8250, 1213 Garfield, Laramie, Wyo. Coins and Currency. P. G. Archer, E. L. Woodford, Lewis M. Reagan.
Dr. J. W. Kemper, 8251, 2605 Bedford Road, Ann Arbor, Mich. U. S. Coins. Theodore S. Davis, M. Vernon Sheldon.
B. M. O'Hea, 8252, 1702 S. Adams St., Fort Worth, Texas. General. W. A. Philpott, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Wilson Edwards, 8253, 1002 N. Mariposa, Hollywood, Cal. U. S. General. Clint Hester, M. Vernon Sheldon.
L. Woessner, 8254, 206 E. Burgess St., Mount Vernon, Ohio. Cents. Clyde Purdy, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Clarence A. Moore, 8255, 2198 Indiana Ave., Columbus, Ohio. General. Dr. J. M. Henderson, M. V. Sheldon.
Rev. Augustine Rottering, O. S. G., 8256, Maur Hill School, Atchison, Kan. U. S. General. Don Davis, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Alison Moore, 8257, Pentagan Apt. 2-B-3, Baton Rouge, La. U. S. Cents. Louis G. Stirling, Geo. Whitworth, James A. Millers.
Dr. Don Carlos Guffey, 8258, 717 Professional Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. General. Richard G. Helman, M. Vernon Sheldon.
Benjamin A. Nevison, 8259, 8012 Grand River Ave., Detroit, Mich. General. George W. Needels, M. Vernon Sheldon.
George W. Brucher, 8260, 1409½ N. W. 17th St., Oklahoma City, Okla. U. S. General. Jake B. Sureck, H. W. Zeigler.

Reinstated.

3521 Harold Van H. Prosky, Bayview Terrace, Port Washington, N. Y.
 4734 R. L. Hendershot, 3505 Granada, Tampa, Fla.
 4688 Mrs. Margaret G. Albin, 336 North Main St., Freeport, L. I., N. Y.

Resignations.

4963 John Rechholtz, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 7188 Russell R. Walbridge, Portland, Ore.
 7416 Seymour W. Mayer, Hollywood, Cal.
 5006 George W. Baker, Birmingham, Ala.

Death.

5393 C. E. Hussman, St. Louis, Mo.

Changes of Address.

Nicholas K. Sharp, Jr., 7970, from 1268 N. Fourth St., Columbus, Ohio, to 33 West Vine St., Columbus, Ohio.

- Robert H. Klatt, 7375, from 928 Beech St., South Scranton, Pa., to 828 Alder St., South Scranton, Pa.
- James S. Reynolds, 7129, from 111½ E. Kearsley, Flint, Mich., to 108 East Kearsley St., Flint, Mich.
- R. G. Bullard, 7616, from 605 High St., Red Oak, Iowa, to 1021 Corning St., Red Oak, Iowa.
- S. Arthur Cohen, 8036, from 600 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., to 45 Tennis Court, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Jacob M. Walter, 6838, from 10531 Morrison Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, to 10201 South Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio.
- Wayne W. Ward, 6133, from 327 East Second St., Moscow, Idaho, to E624 22nd Ave., Spokane, Wash.
- Walter P. Bohler, 3919, from 2419 Knapp St., Ames, Iowa, to 321 W. Military Ave., Fremont, Neb.
- Carl L. Crooks, 7895, from I. O. O. F. Bldg., Van Wert, Ohio, to Box 67, Van Wert, Ohio.
- Dr. James O. Sloss, 7718, from 11th and Pine Sts., Philadelphia, Pa., to Mercy Hospital, Pridé & Locust Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Harry M. Sidlett, 4918, from care Congress Cigar Co., 250 Fifth Ave., New York City, N. Y., to 350 Wst 57th St., New York City, N. Y.
- John E. Travis, Jr., 6744, from 227 East 70th St., New York City, N. Y., to 225 East 70th St., New York City, N. Y.
- Robert A. Buchman, D. D. S., 5912, from 1006 Bertram Ave., Dayton, Ohio, to 2263 Salem Ave., Dayton, Ohio.
- Alexander Hauser, 6590, from 8 Lancaster Pl., London, England, to 230 Park Ave., New York Central Bldg., New York City, N. Y.
- Lt. O. H. Dodson, U. S. N., 4319, from U. S. S. Vincennes, New York City, N. Y., to 3441 78th St., Jackson Heights, Long Island, N. Y.
- Carl Thomsen, 6832, from 14 Seventh St., New Brunswick, N. J., to 307 Raritan Ave., Highland Park, N. J.
- Clyde C. Bledsoe, 6190, from 552 State St., Bridgeport, Conn., to 15 Liberty St., Apt. 15, Bridgeport, Conn.
- Marie de Sylvia, 7769, from Box 362, Los Angeles, Cal., to 11237 Graham Pl., Los Angeles, Cal.
- Dr. O. K. Grier, 7811, from Frederica, Del., to 455 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, Cal.
- Clinton W. Hester, 5591, from Box 362, Los Angeles, Cal., to 11237 Graham Pl., Los Angeles, Cal.
- Hartford Numismatic Society, 4783, from Eric H. Lind, Secy., Box 93, Willimantic, Conn., to Chas. B. Miller, Secy., The Connecticut River Banking Co., Hartford, Conn.
- Milton H. Cullen, 7897, from 1319 F. St. N. W., Washington, D. C., to 405 Tenth St. N. W., Washington, D. C.
- Atlanta Coin Club, 4882, from Truitt Harper, Secy., 512 Atlanta T. & T. Co., Atlanta, Ga., to Edwin Harrison, Secy., 1084 Deckner St. S. W., Atlanta, Ga.
- Maj. W. A. Dumas, 6431, from Headquarters Ninth Corps Area, Presidio of San Francisco Cal., to the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.
- Chas. R. Svinning, 5348, from 8223 Wolcott Ave., Chicago, Ill., to 1416 West 80th St., Chicago, Ill.
- Edward A. Kowalke, 7701, from 1219 Morningside Ave., Sioux City, Iowa, to 2932 Leech, Sioux City, Iowa.
- Hugh Funkhouser, 7708, from 312 Park St., Cumberland, Md., to 215 Emily St., Cumberland, Md.
- James F. Stiff, 6522, from Box 94, Nashua, N. H., to 44 School St., Boston, Mass.
- John W. Haarer, 1019, from 207 W. St. Joseph St., Lansing, Mich., to P. O. Box 389, Lansing, Mich.
- Miss Dorothy Tighe, 6608, from 1108 W. Third St., Grand Island, Neb., to care W. U. Office, Grand Island, Neb.
- Lars G. deLagerberg, 5816, from 18 Warren Pl., Montclair, N. J., to care G. deLagerberg, Shoreham, L. I., N. Y.
- J. F. Carabin, 6576, from 3731 Odin Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio, to 7015 Rembolt, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Sidney Watkins, 7989, from 1602 E. 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio, to 10703 Lee Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
- E. G. Stout, 8155, from 2536 N. E. 15th Ave., Portland, Ore., to Box 12, University Station, Seattle, Wash.
- Kenneth M. Saunders, 7973, from The Stamp Shop, Charlestown, W. Va., to 468 Hite St., Morgantown, W. Va.
- Sigismund P. Trzmiel, 7219, from 966 W. Dakota St., Milwaukee, Wis., to 1526 Grand Ave., Racine, Wis.
- Charlie R. Dale, 8129, from 1012 N. Center, Stockton, Cal., to R. 1, Box 6534, Stockton, Cal.
- Detroit Coin Club, Life 23, from Wilfred Rowe, Secy., 619 Maplehurst Ave., Ferndale, Mich., to Wilfred Rowe, Secy., 3154 Second Blvd., Detroit, Mich.
- Wilfred Rowe, 4863, from 3154 Second Blvd., Detroit, Mich., to 619 Maplehurst Ave., Ferndale, Mich.
- Col. P. A. Capron, 5784, from U. S. Marine Barracks, Charleston, S. C., to Towers Hotel, 25 Clark St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Prof. A. Reginald Prince, 6210, from 169 Queen St., Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada, to 108 Brunswick St., Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- Edmund C. Kurtzhals, 8143, from 2369 Logan Ave., Milwaukee, Wis., to 2812 South Herman St., Milwaukee, Wis.

M. VERNON SHELDON, General Secretary.

Meetings of Numismatic Societies and Clubs

(To keep the Directory up to date the editor relies upon the officials of the organizations listed to report promptly any changes in any of its features. There is no charge for listing, but new organizations must ask to be included and furnish the necessary information.)

DIRECTORY.

Akron Coin Club, Akron, Ohio—Meets third Monday of each month at the Elks' Club, 66 S. High St., Akron. V. L. Oblisk, Secretary, 874 Saxon Ave., Akron, Ohio.

Albany Numismatic Society, Albany, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Thursdays (except during July and August), at the Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave. Willis J. McKinney, Secretary, 62 Sycamore St., Albany, N. Y.

American Numismatic Association—Meets annually in convention. M. Vernon Sheldon, Secretary, 451 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago, Ill.

American Numismatic Society, New York City—Meets four times annually at its building, Broadway at 156th Street. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.

Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal—Meets monthly at Chateau de Ramezay. L. A. Renaud, Curator, Chateau de Ramezay, Montreal, Canada.

Ames Numismatic Society, Ames, Iowa—Meets first Wednesday each month in Room 223 of the Memorial Union on the Iowa State College Campus. C. B. Anderson, Secretary, 401 Clark St., Ames, Iowa.

Atlanta Coin Club, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets first and third Wednesdays at the Hotel Henry Grady. Edwin Harrison, Secretary, 1084 Deckner St. S. W., Atlanta, Ga.

Baltimore Coin Club—Meets first and third Thursdays at Peale's Municipal Museum, 225 N. Holliday street. George Requard, Secretary, 5907 Harford Road, Baltimore, Md.

Boone Numismatic Association, Boone, Iowa—Meets first Monday evening of month in City Hall Basement, Boone, Iowa. Morris Wilson, Secretary, 516 Crawford, Boone, Iowa.

Boston Numismatic Society, Boston, Mass.—Meeting, with dinner, last Monday of each month (summer excepted) at Boston City Club. Saul Steinberg, M. D., Secretary, 11 Temple St., Boston, Mass.

Brooklyn Coin Club, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Meets first Wednesday of each month at Gherry's Restaurant, 174 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Charles P. Knoth, Secretary, 115-120 226th St., St. Albans, N. Y.

Buffalo Numismatic Association, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Mondays at Central Y. M. C. A. Otis C. Chapman, Secretary, 140 Woodell Ave., Cheektowaga, N. Y.

Burlington Coin Club, Burlington, Iowa—Meets first Monday night, time and place being decided at regular monthly meeting. William Hockstad, Secretary, Burlington Community Chest, Burlington, Iowa.

California Coin Club, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets first Tuesday evening of each month at the Stowell Hotel, 416 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Cal. Earle K. Stanton, Secretary, 205 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal.

Canadian Numismatic Art Society—Meets annually in convention. C. Deane, General Secretary, 228 Monroe Ave., East Kildonan, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Cedar City Coin Club, Lebanon, Ohio—Meets fourth Tuesday of each month at Harmon Hall, Lebanon, Ohio. Marion L. Loer, Secretary-Treasurer, Lebanon, O.

Cedar Rapids Coin Club, Cedar Rapids, Iowa—Meets second and fourth Mondays of each month, at the Montrose Hotel, Cedar Rapids. Mrs. John Culbreth, Secretary, 820 H Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Chase Bank Coin Society, New York City—Meets third Thursday of each month. Vernon L. Brown, Secretary, Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y.

Chautauqua Coin, Stamp and Curio Club, Jamestown, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Hotel Jamestown. J. Henry Payne, Secretary, 718 Newland Ave., Jamestown, N. Y.

Chicago Coin Club, Chicago, Ill.—Meets first Wednesday of each month at the Skyline Athletic Club, 188 W. Randolph St. I. T. Kopicki, Secretary, 2114 S. St. Louis Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Cleveland Coin Club, Cleveland, Ohio—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month. Matt. J. Gazso, Secretary, 4206 W. 208th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association—Meets second Tuesday of each month at 3 o'clock P. M., Netherland Plaza Hotel. Chas. H. Thul, Secretary, 2631 Hemlock St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Coin Club of Rhode Island—Meets third Thursday of each month at the Old France Restaurant, unless otherwise mentioned, Providence, R. I. Kenneth A. Burke, Secretary, 12 Depew Street, Providence, R. I.

Columbus Numismatic Society, Columbus, Ohio—Meets second Monday evening of each month at the Neil House. J. C. Archer, Secretary, 914 Kelton Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Corn Belt Corn Club, Waterloo, Iowa—Meets first Friday of each month at Cohagen Cabin at the "Y." Waterloo, Iowa. Marvin O'Connor, Secretary, 118 Sherman Ave., Waterloo, Iowa.

Cortland Coin Club, Cortland, N. Y.—Meets first Thursday of each month at Hotel Cortland. Mrs. Ruth Gumaer, Secretary, 150 S. Main St., Cortland, N. Y.

Dallas Coin Club, Dallas, Texas—Meets third Thursday night of each month in the Baker Hotel. H. D. Lawrence, Secretary, 214 N. Clinton, Dallas, Texas.

Dayton Coin Club, Dayton, Ohio—Meets last Monday of each month at the Central Y. M. C. A., 117 West Monument Ave. Clyde S. Gibbons, Secretary, R. F. D. 2, Spring Valley, Ohio.

Des Moines Coin Club, Des Moines, Iowa—Meets first Friday of each month at Y. M. C. A., 4th and Keo Way. Arnold E. Swanson, Secretary, 2100 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Detroit Coin Club, Detroit, Mich.—Meets first and third Thursdays at the Detroit-Leland Hotel, Detroit, Mich. Wilfred Rowe, Secretary, 3154 Second Blvd., Detroit, Mich.

Fairfield County Numismatic Association, Bridgeport, Conn.—Meets third Friday of each month at Bridgeport Art League, 528 Clinton Ave., Bridgeport, Conn. J. Norman Crosby, Secretary, P. O. Box 565, Bridgeport, Conn.

Fugio Coin Club, Shreveport, La.—Meets second Monday of each month in the directors' room of the Commercial National Bank. L. E. Grimes, Secretary, Box 1414, Shreveport, La.

Greenwich Stamp and Coin Club, Greenwich, Conn.—Meets first and third Fridays at the Y. M. C. A. Evelyn Chard Billings, Secretary, P. O. Box 326, Greenwich, Conn.

Hamilton Coin Club, Hamilton, Ohio—Meets third Wednesday of the month at the Y. M. C. A. King G. Earl, Secretary, 606 Haven Ave., Hamilton, Ohio.

Hartford Numismatic Society, Hartford, Conn.—Meets third Wednesday of each month at Chamber of Commerce Rooms, 805 Main St., Hartford, Conn. Chas. B. Miller, Secretary, care the Connecticut River Banking Company, Hartford, Conn.

Heart of America Numismatic Association, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets second Monday of each month at Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City. Perry Swofford, Secretary, 1963 N. Fifth St., Kansas City, Kan.

International Emergency Money Club, New York City—Meets second Wednesday of each month in New York City. Emil Di Bella, Secretary, 1352 University Ave., Bronx, New York.

Jersey City Coin Club, Jersey City, N. J.—Meets first Thursday of the month at Hotel Plaza. James W. Herwig, Secretary, 164 Forest Ave., Lyndhurst, N. J.

Junior Coin Collectors of San Francisco, Cal.—Meets third Friday of each month at San Francisco Museum of Art, Civic Center, 730 P. M. Roy Hill, Counselor, 569 Mission St., San Francisco, Cal. Robert Pokorny, Secretary, 2462 Nineteenth Ave., San Francisco, Cal.

Lehigh Valley Coin Club, Palmerton, Pa.—Meets third Thursday of the month, the meetings rotating between Palmerton, Bethlehem and Allentown, Pa. John M. Gallagher, Secretary, 232 N. Front St., Allentown, Pa.

Madison Coin Club, Madison, Wis.—Meets second Monday at the Dane County Courthouse. Vincent I. Hack, Secretary, 1811 University Ave., Madison, Wis.

Manhattan Coin Club, Manhattan, Kan.—Meets second Wednesday in each month, the place being decided at regular monthly meetings. Herbert L. Gaede, President, 322 Poyntz Ave., Manhattan, Kan.

Memphis Coin Club, Memphis, Tenn.—Meets second Wednesday of each month at 826 Dermon Bldg., corner of Third and Court Streets. W. C. Wilburn, Secretary, 695 Landis, Memphis, Tenn.

Milwaukee Numismatic Society, Milwaukee, Wis.—Meets last Friday in each month at the Pfister Hotel. N. J. Hoffman, Secretary, Thiensville, Wis.

Missouri Numismatic Society, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets second Monday of each month at Melbourne Hotel, Grand and Lindell Bldvs., St. Louis, Mo. J. S. Stevenson, Secretary, 212 Edwin Ave., Kirkwood, Mo.

Muscatine Coin Club, Muscatine, Iowa—Meets second Tuesday of each month at the Y. M. C. A., Muscatine. George E. Moore, Secretary, P. O. Box 355, Muscatine, Iowa.

New Bedford Coin Club, New Bedford, Mass.—Meets last Thursday of each month in the New Bedford Postoffice Building. Margaret C. Dunlap, Secretary, 237 Court St., New Bedford, Mass.

New Castle Coin Club, New Castle, Pa.—Meets third Monday of each month in the Pennsylvania Power Company Bldg., 19 East Washington St. J. L. Gibson, Secretary, 414 Neshannock Ave., New Castle, Pa.

New Haven Numismatic Society, New Haven, Conn.—Meets second Thursday of each month at the Chamber of Commerce, 152 Temple street, New Haven. J. U. Sweeney, Secretary, P. O. Box 1596, New Haven, Conn.

New Jersey Numismatic Society—Meets second Thursday of each month at Downtown Club, 744 Broad St., Newark, N. J. Richard D. Nelson, Secretary, Taylor Road, Short Hills, N. J.

New York Numismatic Club, New York City—Meets second Friday of each month. F. C. C. Boyd, Secretary, 59 W. Twelfth St., New York City.

Northampton Numismatic Society, Northampton, Mass.—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at Y. M. C. A. Building. Myron J. Parsons, Secretary, 270 Pleasant St., Northampton, Mass.

Northwest Coin Club—Meets first Thursday of each month at the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis, and the third Thursday of each month at the St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, Minn. Paul Olson, Secretary, 616 S. Third St., Minneapolis, Minn.

Northwest Iowa Coin Club, Fort Dodge, Iowa—Meets third Monday of each month at Fort Dodge Y. M. C. A. P. H. Loomer, Secretary, 913 Third Ave., N., Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Numismatic Society of Frederick, Md.—Meets the second Monday of the month from September to June, inclusive, at the Potomac Edison Building, East Patrick St. Mrs. Louise S. Rhoads, Secretary, 127 E. Patrick St., Frederick, Md.

Oklahoma City Coin Club, Oklahoma City, Okla.—Meets third Monday of the month at the Y. M. C. A. Louis H. Smith, Secretary, 2511 West Park Place, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Omaha Coin Club, Omaha, Neb.—Meets first Friday evening of each month at Omaha City Hall. Addison W. Wilson, Secretary, 600 Insurance Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

Oneonta Coin Club, Oneonta, N. Y.—Meets first Friday in the month, place being decided at regular meetings. Mrs. Howard Wilson, Secretary, Oneonta, N. Y.

Orange County Coin Club, Santa Ana, Cal.—Meets third Tuesday of each month at homes of members. Robert G. Efker, Secretary, 1029 W. Camille St., Santa Ana, Cal.

Oregon Numismatic Society, Portland, Ore.—Meets second Monday night of the month at Benson Hotel. John R. Townsley, Secretary, Milwaukie, Ore.

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, San Francisco, Cal.—Meets last Wednesday of each month at Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco. Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary, 1187 Kottenberg Ave., San Jose, Cal.

Philadelphia Coin Club, Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets second Thursday of each month at the Hotel Belgravia, 1811 Chestnut St. George J. Patterson, Secretary, P. O. Box 4856, Philadelphia, Pa.

Pittsburgh Coin Club—Meets third Thursday of each month in the Downtown Y. M. C. A. Building, Third Ave. and Wood St. D. A. Edwards, Secretary, 4029 Brandon Road, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Quad-City Coin Club, Davenport, Iowa—Meets every second Thursday of the month at the Y. M. C. A. in Davenport. Marjorie L. Ankeny, Secretary, 218 Essex Lane, Davenport, Iowa.

Racine Numismatic Society, Racine, Wis.—Meets second Friday of each month. Arthur E. Jones, Secretary, 1203 S. Main St., Racine, Wis.

Rochester Numismatic Society, Rochester, Minn.—Meets first Monday of each month in Chamber of Commerce Building. S. W. Anderson, Secretary, 305½ S. Broadway, Rochester, Minn.

Rochester Numismatic Association, Rochester, N. Y.—Meets first and third Tuesday at Municipal Museum. Thomas Kline, Secretary, 1545 St. Paul St., Rochester, N. Y.

Rocky Mountain Numismatic Society, Denver, Col.—Meets second Thursday of each month, unless otherwise ordered, at homes and offices of individual members as selected. Jacob G. Willson, Secretary-Treasurer, Room 15, State Capitol, Denver, Col.

San Diego Numismatic Society, San Diego, Cal.—Meets first Thursday of each month in the Assembly Hall of the Electric Building. Thomas W. Voetter, Secretary, 1819 Sheridan Ave., San Diego, Cal.

St. Louis Numismatic Society, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets monthly at Washington University. T. E. Duncan, Secretary, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

Seattle Coin Club, Seattle, Wash.—Meets last Thursday of the month at Hearstone Tea Room, Fifth and Union Sts., Seattle. C. C. Saeman, Secretary, 11515 Sand Point Way, Seattle, Wash. Mail to 403 Crary Bldg., Seattle.

Sioux City Coin Club, Sioux City, Iowa—Meets the third Monday evening of each month at a place to be selected. W. S. Snyder, Secretary-Treasurer, 432 Commerce Building, Sioux City, Iowa.

Springfield Coin Club, Springfield, Mass.—Meets second Wednesday of each month at the Museum of Fine Arts, Springfield. William W. Willard, Secretary, 94 Warren Terrace, Longmeadow, Mass.

Stark Coin Club, Canton, Ohio—Meets first Monday at the Hotel Belden. William G. Bruce, Secretary, 2816 Second St., N. W., Canton, Ohio.

Sterling Coin Club, Sterling, Ill.—Meets second Wednesday each month at the Y. M. C. A., Sterling, Ill. Wm. H. Jamison, Secretary, 401 West Tenth St., Sterling, Ill.

Syracuse Numismatic Association, Syracuse, N. Y.—Meets first Friday of each month at the Onondaga Hotel. Frank O. Webster, 338 W. Onondaga St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Tacoma Coin Club, Tacoma, Wash.—Meets first Friday of each month. Louis K. Woodford, Secretary, P. O. Box 1642, Tacoma, Wash.

The Bronx (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at East 148th Street Restaurant, just west of Third Ave., The Bronx, New York City. David M. Bullowa, Secretary, 95 Fifth Ave., New York City.

The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets six times a year. January, February, March, April, November and December. Henry Paul Busch, Secretary, 1006 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Toledo Coin Club, Toledo, Ohio—Meets second and fourth Mondays of each month. S. L. Szyperski, Secretary, 222 Austin St., Toledo, Ohio.

Topeka Coin Club, Topeka, Kan.—Meets last Thursday of month at the Chamber of Commerce. Homer F. Wright, Secretary, 134 N. Western Ave., Topeka, Kan.

Toronto Coin Club, Toronto, Canada—Meets second and fourth Friday each month at Apartment 2, 592 Church St., Toronto. J. Bruce Parker, Secretary, 105 Buckingham Ave., Toronto, Canada.

Triple-Cities Coin Club, Binghamton, N. Y.—Meets first Monday of each month. H. M. Christman, Secretary, 274 Conklin Ave., Binghamton, N. Y.

Trumbull Coin, Stamp and Curio Club, Warren, Ohio—Meets first and third Wednesdays at the Y. M. C. A. (except in June, July and August). Clyde Stillinger, Secretary, 534 North St., N. W., Warren, Ohio.

Utica Coin Club, Utica, N. Y.—Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at 249 Genesee St. F. Harrington, Secretary, 249 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y.

Washington Numismatic Society, Washington, D. C.—Meets first Monday of each month at Hotel Washington. Mrs. Edness Kimball Wilkins, Secretary, The Fairfax, 2100 Massachusetts Ave., Washington, D. C.

Waterbury Numismatic Society, Waterbury, Conn.—Meets third Friday of the month at the Mattatuck Historical Society Bldg. Arnold B. Grasso, Secretary, 81 Charles St., Waterbury, Conn.

Waukesha Coin Club, Waukesha, Wis.—Meets third Wednesday of each month at 309 South St., Waukesha. Ralph Wright, Secretary, 501 S. Grand Ave., Waukesha, Wis.

Westchester County (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets third Tuesday of each month at the Y. M. C. A. in New Rochelle, N. Y. Saul Bellus, Secretary, 559 S. Tenth Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Western Maryland Coin Club—Meets third Wednesday of each month at the Central Y. M. C. A., Cumberland, Md. Martin L. Johnson, Secretary, P. O. Box 145, Cumberland, Md.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society—Meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh. Earl Coatsworth, Secretary, 914 Broadway, East McKeesport, Pa.

Western Reserve Numismatic Club, Cleveland, Ohio—Meets second Wednesday of each month at the Allerton Hotel John W. Gregor, Secretary, 15221 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Youngstown Numismatic Club, Youngstown, Ohio—Meets first Thursday of each month at Ohio Hotel, W. Boardman St. A. F. Smith, Secretary, 57 Brooklyn Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.

THE BRONX COIN CLUB—Eighty-third meeting, July 24, President Stein in the chair. Eleven members were present. The president welcomed the following guests who were present: W. Ray Carpenter, a former member, was particularly welcomed, in the hope that his appearance would become more regular. Mr. Arthur's son, William Arthur, was present, and made a few brief remarks. Joseph Coffin, the well-known writer on numismatic topics, was present and stated his pleasure at being the guest of the club.

Mr. Stein asked for the reading of papers, and Mr. Zweier read his, entitled "The Castorland Token," which was very well received. Mr. Arthur then read a paper on the "Washington Pieces," which is his specialty, and, coupled with his fine exhibit, lacking only two of the great rarities in the series of being a complete collection, was an exceptional treat for the members.

Mr. Stein then asked for an explanation of exhibits.

The secretary reported with regret the sad passing of the wife of our good member, Mr. Blake. He also announced the placing of a club advertisement in the A. N. A. Directory to appear in a few weeks' time.

Mention was made of the necessity of a change of date for the August meeting, in view of the conflict with our regular fourth Wednesday and the fact that the annual A. N. A. Convention was being held at the same time. It was decided that the meeting be held on the third Wednesday of August, and that thereafter the meeting night would again revert to the regular fourth Wednesday.

Exhibits of the evening were as follows:

Mr. Arthur: A collection of Washington halfpennies, cents, and pennies, including the 1792 Washington half dollar with ornamental edge, Liverpool halfpenny 1791, and Liberty and Security penny struck in brass.

Mr. Arthur, Jr.: 1783 Washington cent, military bust; 1783 draped bust Washington cent, and 1783 double bust cent.

Mr. Bullowa: France, Croix de Guerre, 1939; 1928 British Honduras \$2 note; crowns from Crete, Cuba, Chile, Cyprus, Colombia, China and Canada; Siam, 2-tical flat money and 4-tical bullet money issue, gold.

Mr. Coffin: Papal medals.

Mr. Carpenter: 28 coins struck during the reign of Charles I of England. Included in the lot were 12 pieces engraved by N. Briot. Also Roman pieces commemorating victories in Britain, struck at Colchester and London.

Mr. Engel: Seven types of dimes; Washington cent, 1783; 12 U. S. 3c. pieces.

Mr. Gans: Cistophorus of Proconsul C. Claudius Pulcher, 55-54 B. C., with unpublished magistrate's mark. Cistophorus of Q. Caecilius Metellus Plus, 49-48 B. C., and middle bronze of M. Antonius, struck at Corinth; L. Marcus Philippus, 112 B. C., Philip V of Macedonia, and L. Marcus. Statue of Q. Marcus Philippus, who defeated Perseus.

Mr. Kortjohn: Pattern dimes, A-W. 670, and 1627. Coins of Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ceylon, Czecho-Slovakia.

Mr. Rippner: Gold 8-scedo, Spain, 1808; 5-ducats, Czecho-Slovakia; 100 kronen, 1911, 1908 and 1907; 4 ducats, 1880, Austria.

Mr. Stein: Coins of Antiochus III, Mithradates the Great; denarius of Manilla, tetradrachm of Perseus, denarius of Paulus Lepidus, and Roman coins for Macedonia.

Mr. Sternberg: Czecho-Slovakia, 20 kronen, 1937. 1679, Brunswick, 4 thaler; 7 modern English crowns, 23 Oriental odd pieces, and necessity coin of Maesricht.

Mr. Wagner: 1, 2 and 5 francs, Belgium, 1880, Jubilee issue. 2 Canadian medals (Fenian Raid and Fort Chrysler). 2 Crimea medals.

Mr. Wormser: Coins of Cameron, Ceylon, China, Czecho-Slovakia, and Malaya.

Mr. Zweier: Canada, 1937 set, 1c. to \$1. China, 10 cash. Czecho-Slovakia, medal of 1939 World's Fair. Castorland half dollar, 1796, restrike.

The topics suggested for the August meeting were as follows: Coins of countries beginning with the letter D, prior to the twentieth century. Coins relating to the Conquest of Gaul, or France. U. S. early quarters to 1838, and 20c. pieces. Paper on Colonial topic to be announced. President Stein will read a paper on the Roman Coinage of Gaul.

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB—380th regular meeting, August 9th, Arthur W. Deas, president, presiding. Fourteen members were present.

The topics for the evening were: Platinum Coins; Cardboard Currency; Envelopes used for money; Odd Denominations in Notes; Original designs for Bonds and Paper Money.

Exhibits were made by the following: F. C. C. Boyd, J. Barnet, H. Stein, C. Sghia, W. H. Arthur, H. J. Erlanger, V. Brown, C. Wormser, O. Schilke, and L. Kusterer.

Vernon Brown: A special exhibit of 14 stamp envelopes used as necessity money, and 18 specimens of cardboard money, both of these items used at the beginning of the Civil War. He also exhibited about 50 notes of odd denominations ranging from 1c. to \$30.

W. H. Arthur: Set of Jewell & Son's notes in 5, 10, 25 and 50 cent denominations, signed by Marshall Jewell, Postmaster-General in President Grant's Cabinet. 5c. note of Mount Pleasant Apothecary Store, signed by W. Elliot Woodward, a noted cataloguer and dealer of coins. No. 1 note and a few other notes of odd denominations.

F. C. C. Boyd: Mr. Boyd read a paper on stamp envelopes used as necessity money, illustrating his paper with 146 specimens of the stamp envelopes. He also exhibited 146 specimens of cardboard money. The paper and illustrations will be published later.

On proposal of Mr. Boyd, it was decided that the club have a medal struck with the likeness of our president, Arthur W. Deas, this medal to be ready for distribution the latter part of this year. Several of the members present made donations to help defray part of the expense of striking the medal.

It was decided that Vernon Brown represent The New York Numismatic Club at the coming convention of the A. N. A.

The Executive Committee suggested as the topic for the September meeting: Coins of Africa that are interesting in relation to wars; United States half cents. This was adopted.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—August 6, at the home of J. Verner Scaife, Jr., Woodland Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. President Woodside was in the chair. Twenty members were present.

Mr. Gaede will cast the ballot for the society at the Annual Convention. In connection with this subject, a motion was passed to present a resolution to the convention proposing that The Numismatist publish a biographical sketch of the various candidates in the issue next preceding the convention.

The program committee reported progress in preparing a schedule of monthly meeting topics and exhibits and other activities for the coming year.

Member J. Verner Scaife, Jr., entertained this meeting at his home, and after the business was completed, a sociable evening was enjoyed by all. Next meeting will be at Carnegie Institute.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Hunt: Irish farthings from 1835, listed from Batty.

Dr. Gillis: Medal celebrating the preparation for the capture of London by Napoleon, by Brenst; medal of Sir Walter Scott, by Chantry; medal of York Cathedral.

O. W. Bullions: Minor U. S. mis-strikes and oddities.

Bud Bullions: 13 die varieties and 4 mint defects of Lincoln cents; 1936 Buffalo nickel with mint defect.

Mr. Buterbaugh: 1882 cent, brilliant purple proof; 1895 dime with edge beaten evenly to a high wire edge.

Mr. Gaede: Various odd and curious moneys.

Mr. Marlier: Tray of siege pieces, counterstamps, etc., with many rare oddities.

Mr. Scaife: Odd-shaped money from many countries.

Mr. Coatsworth: About 30 freak U. S. coins, from cents to half dollars, mostly uncirculated.

Mr. Woodside: Farthing of Queen Anne; pattern farthings of Charles II and Mary (II); models of Victoria and Edward VII.

STARK COIN CLUB—61st meeting, at the home of member Wm. G. Bruce, with eleven members and ten guests present. Geo. Caster, president presided.

The next and all subsequent meetings will be held Friday evening, Sept. 6, 1940, at the Belden Hotel, Canton, Ohio.

Elaborate plans were discussed and formed for the second annual dinner of the Northeastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania Coin Clubs Association Dinner to be held Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Belden Hotel, Canton, Ohio. This will be an all-day affair.

S. J. Kabealo was voted representative for the Stark Coin Club at the A. N. A. Convention.

A vote of thanks was given to Member Eugene Sellers for the coins he donated for the auction sale to be held in conjunction with the October dinner.

The question was raised as to the advisability of collecting 10 per cent. on all auction sales for the benefit of the club and was referred to a committee.

RACINE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—29th meeting, August 9th, President John M. Carls presiding. Ten members and one guest present.

Our Milwaukee member John R. Stewart was again present after a long illness.

Exhibits at this meeting were as follows:

Karl Borseth: 1853 gold dollar, unc.; 1889 gold dollar, proof; 1911-D \$20 gold piece, unc.; 1937 25-shilling gold piece, Brill. proof; 1839 five-ruble Russian gold piece.

Louis Wilczynski: 1915 twenty-peso gold piece, fine.

John R. Stewart: 1875 gold dollar, proof; complete set of \$1 and \$2.50 gold pieces, commemorative, unc.; San Francisco silver bar, fine 99.75, weight 6.13 oz.

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB—87th meeting, August 7th, with Mr. Kosoff, president, in the chair. Nine members and two guests were present.

Mr. Bullowa read a short but very interesting paper on Byzantine coins.

The following exhibits were shown:

Mr. Rippner: Byzantine solidus; ducat of Czecho-Slovakia.

Mr. Silverman: Recent issues of Travancore, India and Malay Straits Settlements.

Mr. Kosoff: 4 silver spoons with bowls made of eighteenth century crowns.

Mr. Schwartz: Lincoln token issued by the Lincoln Group of Chicago in February, 1939; Lincoln good luck token issued by Charles H. Fisher; Lincoln token in gold issued by Elder in 1927.

Mr. Bullowa: Coins of Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Lundy Islands, Guernsey and States of Jersey; Morocco, 20, 10 and 5 francs; Cameroons, 1926, ½ franc.

Mr. Schmidt: Representative collection of 60 different British eighteenth century tokens; new issues of foreign copper coins.

Mr. Daukszy: Coins of Saxony and the Channel Islands.

CLEVELAND COIN CLUB—Seventh meeting, July 24, with 71 members and friends present.

This was the Club's "Hobby Nite" program and there were exhibits and displays of 18 separate hobbies, among them coins.

President Fred Roth presided and Donald W. Martin, of WHK's "What's Your Hobby" program, acted as master of ceremonies.

Three new applications were acted upon and they are now affiliated with the club.

An auction of 40 pieces was held.

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—August 8, 83d meeting. Eighteen members and three guests were present. President Brown was in the chair.

Mr. Wade read numerous items of numismatic interest from the press.

The society instructed the secretary how to cast the ballot in the coming A. N. A. election and appointed Vernon L. Brown as its proxy to the convention.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Adams: Coin of Corinth.

Mr. Beach: American colonial and provincial notes and continental and early U. S. bills.

Mrs. Brookes: Specie dollar, 1845, Christian VIII; 4 marks, 1660, Frederick III; 50 ore, Greenland; 50 sen, Japan.

Mr. Brookes: Horse-car token, sutler token, Canadian blacksmith token, Galeta Bridge (Constantinople) token; 1/8c pattern of Anticosti; penny token of Tasmania, Australia.

Mr. Husker: Roman bronzes.

Mr. May: Badges of the Sons of the Revolution, the Loyal Legion, and the Society of the Army of Santiago de Cuba; war medals of New Jersey, New York, Russia and Bulgaria; medal for two years' service in construction of Panama Canal.

Mr. Nettleship: U. S. \$20 compound interest Treasury note; silver onca of Mozambique; encased postage 5c., Dougan the Hatter, New York; 4 reales of Charles III, counterstamped with crowned "G. P." for Azores.

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB—August 8. The sixty-second meeting was called to order by President Leatherman, with twenty-two members and friends present.

Hans Schulman, of New York, was elected to membership.

Mr. Davidson entertained us with a reading of "Confederate Metallic Coins" from the Coin Collector's Journal of 1879.

The chance prize and door prize, each a 1917 type series \$2 note, were won by Mr. Leatherman and Mr. Thomas.

The vote for the best display went to Mr. Thomas for his exhibit of a rare coin book, "The Coinage of the British Empire," 1854, by Henry Noel Humphreys.

Other displays worthy of mention:

Mr. Reed: A beautiful collection of proof and uncirculated dollars.

Mr. Wismer: James River Bank Colonial notes of Virginia, engraved in 1775 in England.

Following a profitable auction the members adjourned, many to meet soon at the A. N. A. convention.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB—August 7, 258th meeting, R. L. McBrien presiding. Sixty members and one visitor were present.

Librarian William Evans reported that eight volumes of numismatic reference books are now bound and are now available to the members.

Auction committee gave notice that the next quarterly club auction will be held in October.

Exhibits were as follows:

D. C. Keefer: Large Chinese portrait bronze medal of Hu King Ching, ambassador to The Hague, Holland, from 1890 to 1896.

R. C. Cahall: Turkish 25 piastres in gold; Mexican cinco centavos, on which a short descriptive paper was read.

Wm. G. Rayson: Two gold staters of ancient Britain; one uncirculated, 125 B. C.; one of Verica, King of South Britain, obverse, cluster of five oak leaves, reverse, horse and rider to the right.

R. H. Rosholm: Commemorative set of Iceland medals 1030-1930, two uniface and two regular striking; a coin in aluminum from Japan, new issue.

DES MOINES COIN CLUB—53rd meeting, August 2, Leon Smith presiding. Twelve members and four visitors were present.

No particular program was planned for this meeting, so after welcoming our guests we entered into our usual auction sale, which proved to be one of the best we have had for some time.

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB—August 1. There were 19 members present.

Copies of Mr. Cockey's paper on the early American dollars, which he read several weeks ago were distributed, having been mimeographed and donated to the club by Mr. Stewart.

On motion made by Mr. Stewart, the club directed that its proxy for the A. N. A. Convention be delivered to Mr. Duffield for voting.

Mr. Perlitz read an interesting letter he had received from Captain Newton, of the Marine Corps, now in Shanghai. Captain Newton volunteered to obtain for members interested any Chinese specimens they might wish.

For our program this night we had a composite exhibit by several of our members. Mr. Straus showed a Gobrecht dollar of 1836, a dollar of 1858 and a stella of 1879, all uncirculated. Also a curious 3-cent piece over stamped with the head on both sides.

Mr. Austin had a Vatican set of Pius XII, 1939, and read a paper about the Papal currency.

Mr. Cockey exhibited a Bechtler \$5 and a Clark-Gruber \$10 gold piece and read a short paper about these coins.

Mr. Stewart showed a set of the 2-cent pieces and complete sets of the 3-cent pieces, both silver and nickel, all uncirculated.

Mr. Angel exhibited an early overdate \$5 gold piece, also a fine lot of early Maryland coins including the Annapolis shilling and sixpence.

Mr. Requard showed a few ancient denarii and several gold coins, a Czech ducat and a French 20-franc gold piece, neither of which will be minted longer.

Mr. Brogden showed a number of Brazilian silver coins.

Mr. Klein had on exhibition a small mounted exhibit of coins which he uses in frequent talks to the older school children in Baltimore county and to men's clubs throughout the country.

Mr. Heiserman brought a back number of the London Illustrated News, showing some very fine plates of British coins, and showed two sets of the Austrian Republic 2-schilling currency from 1928 to 1937.

MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—70th meeting, July 26, with 24 members and three guests in attendance. President Culver presided.

Messrs. Carls and Jones, of Racine, and Mr. Jonas, of Chicago, who were visiting our club, were introduced. Mr. Jonas applied for membership in our club.

President Culver then announced the resignation of Mr. Eron as treasurer and the appointment of Mr. Olbinski to act for the remainder of the year.

After some discussion about an exhibit of coins at the 1940 Wisconsin State Fair next month, it was decided that we dispense with such an exhibit this year, due to the fact that insufficient time remains to plan and prepare such an exhibit.

Mr. Stewart then thanked the club for the flowers he received while he was in the hospital recently.

The exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Rosholm: About 30 crown-size silver pieces.

Mr. Jonas: Twenty Silesian silver dollars and several medals.

Mr. Hoffman: Thirty different dates of uncirculated large cents and twenty Washington pieces in extremely fine, uncirculated and proof condition.

An auction was held.

DETROIT COIN CLUB—389th meeting, July 18th. The meeting was called to order by President Noyes. Twenty-eight members and four visitors were present.

President Needels introduced Lucien Laporte to the membership.

J. M. Potichke being reported ill, his exhibit of Papal coins was handled by Mr. Noyes. The exhibit consisted of copper and silver Papal coins from 1649 to date, including three medals. Mr. Potichke is the dean of Michigan numismatists and a leading authority on Papal coins.

President Needels called upon Mr. Kabealo to explain his fine exhibit of fractional currency, which he stated consisted of proofs, autographed signatures, essays of the earliest issues and specimen designs or shields. Mrs. Kabealo was also called upon for a few remarks.

President Needels introduced Col. Joseph Hooper, who responded with his usual fine remarks.

Mr. Carl Ross stated that he had secured a window at 237 Gratiot Avenue for an exhibit during the convention. Mr. McGlurkin also has a window available for an exhibition.

Mr. Nevison prevailed upon Mr. Don Heath to exhibit at the A. N. A. Convention the printing press on which the first issues of The Numismatist were printed.

Mr. Heath stated that Mr. Bowen would hold open house at his home on Grosse Isle on Sunday, August 25, for those members of the convention who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity to visit the isle.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Potichke: Copper and silver Papal coins.

Colonel Hooper: Collection of medals.

Mr. Kabealo: Fractional currency.

Dr. Russell Renz: Spanish doubloon, struck in platinum, King Charles platinum, 1803; 20 reals, platinum, 1861; 10 escudos, platinum; Queen Isabella, 1867.

PITTSBURGH COIN CLUB—July 18, at the home of H. D. Gibbs, with President Hepting in the chair. There were 11 members and 11 guests present. Among the out-of-town guests were Dr. Dell and Fred Roth, of Cleveland, and Messrs. Beale and Smith, of Youngstown.

Invitation of Mr. Cunningham to hold the August meeting at his home was accepted with thanks.

Mr. Milliken gave a very interesting account of his recent trip through the South and Southwest.

The remainder of the evening was spent in reviewing Mr. Gibbs' large collection of coins and moneys from all over the world.

HEART OF AMERICA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—July 8. Meeting was opened by the president. There were 29 members and visitors present.

There were discussions pertaining to the meeting for September or October, when the St. Louis numismatists and collectors are expected to attend.

We were expecting Dr. Judd for the meeting, but he will attend the August meeting instead. Dr. Judd is president of the Omaha Coin Club.

WAUKESHA COIN CLUB—July 17, regular meeting with 10 members present. A letter was read from Robert Meder in regard to the Central States Numismatic Society.

Motion made and seconded that each individual try and work out a plan to promote interest in the club. Carried.

Art Bunn gave a very interesting questionnaire.

Walter Engnath volunteered entertainment for the next meeting.

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—June 24. Meeting called to order by the president, Nelson S. Hopkins, with 16 members and one visitor present.

Mr. Lloyd reported that he would be ready to give his report on the club's constitution by Labor Day.

During summer months club will meet at various members' homes for some of their meetings. Mr. Wild invited the club to his place on the fifth Monday in July. Paul Williams invited the club to his place on the second Monday in August. Robert Lloyd invited the club to his place after Labor Day.

Mr. MacIntosh, of Pittsburgh, was then introduced to the club. Mr. MacIntosh said a few words and was instructed to carry our greetings to the Pittsburgh Club.

Robert Lloyd gave an interesting talk, comparing the coinage of Lundy Island and Sarawak. He also showed some coins from his collection to show the comparison.

An auction was held.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COIN CLUB—75th meeting, July 16. Vice-President Baker called the meeting to order and presided over a gathering of 12 members and one guest.

Upon motion of Mr. Dewey, the club voted to purchase at a coming auction sale The Numismatists of 1906 to 1911, inclusive. Mr. Friedman was appointed to act for the club and was given authority to spend up to \$25.00.

Mr. Baker read some correspondence from the U. S. Treasury Department and Mint which contained data pertaining to gold coins of a deceased person. All this will be typed and placed in the club's library.

Topics of the evening were: Colonial coins of New Jersey, two-cent pieces, coins of France, Ancients, Coins and items of your own interest.

Exhibits were placed by the following members and explained:

Mr. Massey: Five 2-cent pieces in proof of 1865 to 1871; 5 French coins of the smaller denominations.

Mr. Sghia: Three cents of New Jersey, 12 crowns of France and 43 Roman Consular denarii.

Mr. Kortjohn: 30 coins of France.

Mr. Dewey: Complete set of 2-cent pieces, including the 1864 with small motto; collection of twentieth century coins of France; Counterfeit Coin Detector made by the Berrian Manufacturing Co., patented 1877, and a specimen of native copper from Michigan.

Mr. Bellus: Set of French coins of the Third Republic.

Mr. Baker: Battle of Gettysburg half dollar; proofs of the following half dollars: 1863 without motto, 1873 with motto, 1874 with motto and arrows at date, and a Harrison token "The Peoples Choice in 1840."

JERSEY CITY COIN CLUB—August 1, President L. H. Zepfler presiding. Eleven members were present.

Mr. Carpenter read a paper on United States coins bearing George Washington's portrait.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mrs. Emily Brookes: Greenland, 50 ore note. Christen VIII species.

Mrs. Leila H. Zepfler: "Trouble Card." State and World's Fair tokens.

D. O. Hughes: Set of Paul Kruger Transvaal coins, 1d., 3d., 6d., 1/-, 2/-, 2/6 and 5/-.

F. H. Brookes: 1/4c. pattern of Anticosti. Sutler's token, Civil War. Canadian Blacksmith token. Coins from Toga, Turkey, Transvaal, Travancore, Tunis.

W. H. Arthur: 5-centime piece of Tunis, struck in 1907, Unc., and 1 kurus of Turkey, dated 1938, with an odd edge.

W. Pukall: Tyrol, double thaler of Leopold and thalers of Rudolph II, 1610; Leopold, 1632; Maximilian, 1617; Ferdinand, 1644; Charles VI, 1728; also 16 Turkey silver dollars.

W. R. Carpenter: Guinea, George III, 1787, mint; 1/2 guinea, George III, 1797, mint; guinea, George III, 1813, military issue.

L. H. Zepfler: Coins of Tunis and Turkey, Tarentum and Messaly, Russia 3-rouble, platinum, proof.

G. Husker: Middle bronzes of Rome first and second centuries.

The next meeting being the beginning of the officers' terms, it was suggested that a nominating committee be appointed. The president nominated the following to act as the nominating committee: W. R. Carpenter, C. F. Nettleship, Jr., and Emily Brookes.

It was suggested that the club take orders for 1940 U. S. proof sets for the members and purchase them with club funds, the members to pay for them when received.

DETROIT COIN CLUB—390th meeting, August 1. The meeting was called to order by President Needels. Twenty-one members and four visitors were present. S. J. Kabealo, of Youngstown, Ohio, was elected to membership.

Mr. Fulton stated that he would resume the club auctions in September and desired the members to present material for the same.

Col. John Hooper was present and exhibited 12 of his own personal medals, of which he was justly proud. He also gave a short talk on the thirty medals to be auctioned after the meeting.

Mr. Pietsch, having one of the finest collections of German porcelain money in the country, was asked to exhibit them at the A. N. A. convention. Mr. Pietsch is a member of the club.

Mr. Fulton auctioned Colonel Hooper's medals, which were sold within a short time.

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB—July 18. Twenty-one members and one guest were present, the guest being Compton Peach, of Annapolis.

Dr. John C. Heck was unanimously elected a member of the club.

Mr. Duffield, speaking for the program committee, suggested that the next meeting, August 1, be devoted to a composite exhibition and invited all the members to bring in their favorite coins of whatever description for exhibit and talk about them for the benefit of the other members.

The committee for the auction improvement had a meeting and made some excellent suggestions for bettering the auction sales, especially the suggestion that any member who expected to enter duplicates, etc., should make up a list in advance and have the secretary mail this out so that the members might know and have time to think about the coins offered before the sale.

The meeting was then adjourned for our monthly auction.

NORTHWEST COIN CLUB—July 20th. Extremely hot weather kept the attendance down to 28. Member Donald Watts, acting as his own auctioneer, put up over 150 lots of coins for sale with reasonable success, considering the attendance.

Esmond Hirschfield, a collector of Chinese coins, made application for membership.

There will be a joint exhibit of coins and stamps in the Woman's Building at the Minnesota State Fair by the Northwest Coin Club and the Twin City Philatelic Society.

Only one meeting is scheduled for August. This will be in Suite 323 in the Metropolitan Bank Building in St. Paul on the 15th.

AKRON COIN CLUB—July 15, 23rd meeting, with 13 members and 2 guests present, President Hammett presiding.

The members approved of a plan submitted by Mr. McKinney for the awarding of the Dell Trophy Cup, points being awarded for the following:

1. One point for each correct answer in a coin quiz.
2. One point for each meeting attended.
3. Two points for essays or other numismatic items read at a meeting.
4. One point for a display at a regular meeting.
5. One point for each visitor brought to a meeting.
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President Hammett appointed the following committees: Librarian, L. E. Herman; September banquet committee, C. W. McKinney, P. Herbst and Miss H. L. Boyd.

The evening was devoted principally to United States items. Short talks were given by the following: Mr. McKinney, "Massachusetts Coinage," "Shilling of Lord Baltimore" and the "Continental Dollar of 1776." Mr. Oblisk: "General McClellan, Civil War Tokens and Store Cards." Mr. Certain: "Abul Hasan Tanashah."

The displays were as follows:

Mr. McKinney: Oak Tree shilling, 1652; Willow Tree shilling, 1652; Pine Tree six-pence, 1652; Oak Tree two-pence, 1662; Lord Baltimore shilling, 1659, and 1776 Continental dollar.

R. W. Miller: Set of proof Flying Eagle and Indian cents.

V. L. Oblisk: Continental Currency, Civil War tokens and store cards. Campaign medal of George B. McClellan, issued during the campaign of 1864. Newspaper from Columbus, Ohio, dated June 10, 1863.

Mr. Certain: $\frac{1}{4}$ rupee of Abul Hasan Tanashah.

Mr. Kabealo gave a report of the last meeting of the Northeastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Association meeting.

An auction was held.

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB—16th meeting, July 16, with 14 members and 19 guests present, President Joe Steele presiding. The meeting was held at the home of one of our lady members, Miss Maurie Hamil, of Santa Ana. This is the first time, we believe, that any coin club has been entertained by a lady member of its club.

Stewart Bingham, of Pomona, was admitted as a new member.

Dr. C. Glenn Curtis, of Brea, showed a new type of coin frame which he has developed, and everyone admired it as the best they had ever seen.

Adolph Larson, Jr., of Los Angeles, gave a very interesting monolog on the travels of a Spanish piece-of-eight on its trip around the world.

S. M. Koeppel, of Los Angeles, showed a 1795 gold eagle and told of its history.

R. G. Efker showed a sixpence from the South African Republic.

Mr. Jorgensen, of Los Angeles, showed a Jewish shekel of about 137 B. C. and told about the method of making this coin, and also about the reference to it in the Bible.

Miss Maurie Hamil and her sister, Maureen Hamil, played two double-piano pieces, which made a big hit. Mr. Larson also played several numbers on the piano.

The club is to hold its next meeting at the Y. M. C. A. in Pomona as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bingham, of Pomona.
An auction sale followed.

An Index To The Numismatist

Volumes 1 to 51 (1888--1938)

The above is from the upper part of the cover and title pages of the Fifty-Year Index of The Numismatist.

After many months of patient waiting by subscribers, the Index was placed in the mails on August 6 and 7, and by this time should have reached all of them. It contains about 200 pages and a Foreword by the committee in charge, explaining the method by which any wanted article may be located. It also contains a story of The Numismatist from its founding in 1888 to the present time, prepared by Faran Zerbe, Historian of the A. N. A.

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The New Netherlands Coin Company, of New York City, will hold a mail-bid auction sale September 24, 1940. The catalog is available to collectors upon request. Material is listed in all numismatic series. This is the first auction of the firm.

For the duration of the war a Bolivian decree has fixed the value of their unit of exchange, the boliviano, at 40 bolivianos to the U. S. dollar.

SIR GEORGE McDONALD DEAD.

Sir George MacDonald, one of the foremost classical scholars of his day and an acknowledged authority on ancient coins, died in Edinburgh August 12 in his seventy-fifth year. He had made special studies of Roman Britain, becoming one of the leading experts on that period. In 1922 he was appointed permanent secretary of the Scottish Education Department, holding the post until 1928.

Sir George was probably one of the world's foremost numismatists. Not only was he 1926 medallist of the American Numismatic Society, but he held membership in practically all the leading organizations of this kind throughout the world. He also belonged to the leading archaeological societies of Great Britain, where he served various classical associations, societies for the study of Roman culture and similar organizations.

He was born in 1862 at Elgin, Scotland, and was educated at the University of Edinburgh, Balliol College, Oxford, and on the Continent. He became a lecturer at the University of Glasgow in 1892 and later was assistant secretary of the Scottish Education Department, becoming secretary in 1922. He was president of the Hunterian Coin Cabinet and Professor of Antiquities at Oxford. He had written more than twenty books on coins and related subjects.—New York Times.

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An Associated Press dispatch from Moscow recently said that puzzled collective farmers have learned why it rained silver coins in the ancient little village of Meshchera, near Gorky, July 16. The farmers gathered several of the oval-shaped silver pieces, about the size of a large fish scale, which poured on them during a violent thunder storm.

Archeologists, to whom they brought the coins, identified them as late sixteenth-century pieces, and the theory was advanced that they were part of an undiscovered ancient treasure exposed by erosion and sent flying by the storm. One professor said other heavier valuables and also utensils probably remained. Search is expected to begin soon.

NEW BOOK ON OBSOLETE NOTE ISSUES.

"State-Owned Banks, the Pet Banks, and Their Bank Notes" is the title of John A. Muscalus' latest publication in this series. It is a rather complete check list of the banks falling in this category, and will prove of the greatest value to the obsolete paper money collectors as a reference work.

HUNGARY ISSUES 5 PENGÓ NOTE.

A new note from Hungary has recently been received, dated 1939. It is of the 5-pengó value, whereas the smallest note previously issued by the National Bank of Hungary had been the 10-pengó value. The new note measures only 2 inches by $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

The obverse shows a peasant at the left, and the shield of Hungary below the St. Stephen's crown at the right, supported by two angels. The reverse shows a Hungarian troubadour with his instrument. Below is the value written out in six languages. The note is printed in brown and gray. Hungarian bank notes are distinguished for their diversification of motifs in engraving, complicated details and fine gradations in color background. The intricacy of design and color are insured by a second impression.

ISLE OF MAN BANK NOTE.

The Isle of Man has its own money. The latest notes of one pound value were issued at Douglas during November, 1938. The obverse shows a scene overlooking Douglas harbor, with the value stated below. The notes are issued by the Isle of Man Bank, Limited. The notes are issued under "Act of Tynwald." Tynwald Court is a special branch of the Government, which has control of revenue, among other things. British bank notes are issued under Act of Parliament. The Isle of Man notes receive their right of issue through local authority.

The reverse of the note shows the famous "three-legs" symbol, with the motto of the island: QUOCUNQUE JECERIS STABIT. (I stand however thrown.)

The notes are printed in blue and green by Waterlow & Son, of London. They measure 6 inches by $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

COIN CLUB FORMED AT READING, PA.

The Reading (Pa.) Coin Club was organized on August 1. It will meet twice a month. Officers are: President, Earl D. Sherwood, Wernersville, Pa.; vice-president, Walter P. Ruth, Reading, Pa.; secretary, Harvey O. Adams, 245 Penn street, Reading, Pa.

CUBAN SEIGNIORAGE ESTIMATED AT 850,000 PESOS.

The Republic of Cuba, in a recent Treasury report which has been released, includes an item of 850,000 pesos as the seigniorage on the last silver coinage. Seigniorage is the net profit to the government, representing the difference between the cost of the metal plus the minting costs, and the face value of the coinage.

REICHSMARK REPLACES BELGA IN BELGIUM.

According to dispatches received in this country recently, the German reichsmark has displaced the Belgian unit of foreign exchange known as the "belga" in the territories of Eupen, Malmedy and Moresnet as legal tender. Since June 30, 1940, the reichsmark currency was obligatory, and the exchange had to be effected at the rate of 2 belgas for one reichsmark.

MALTA INCREASES SERIES OF NOTES.

A report was recently published in The Numismatist about the Malta half-crown note. News from Valetta, the capital of Malta, states that the Governor has also authorized the issuance of notes of the 5-shilling, 10-shilling, and one-pound sterling values. Specimens of these values have not been received to date.

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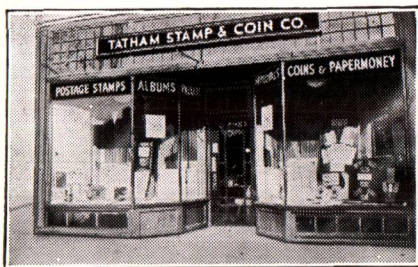
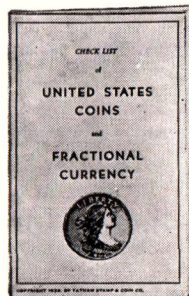
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